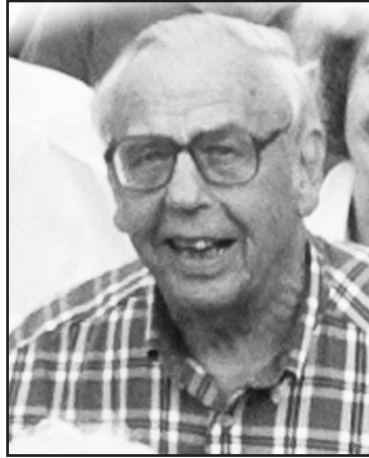


## DEDICATION

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Robert E. Schwartz, Bob to everyone who knows him, long time resident and friend to West Tisbury, has lent his skills and gracious amounts of time to our town over many years. As an architect he designed and supervised the community construction of the Field Gallery in the early 1970s, now owned by the town. His unequaled talent for visualizing and drawing an unbuilt building from its plans, or even just an idea, to make it easily accessible to all, provided the voters with images of a future town hall, in several versions, during the long planning period before the renovation was finally completed in 2009. The cover of the 2004 Town Report was an image of one of those renderings, the original of which hangs in the building.



Bob served on the Space Needs Committee, which created the blueprint for the renovation and construction program – Town Hall, library and police station, now nearing completion. He served on the building committee for the library in its earliest days. He designed the relocated war memorial on the grounds of Town Hall, he served on the committee to inventory the town's art collection, and for several years was West Tisbury's representative to the MVC.

Bob's talent as a painter and watercolorist are well known. His works hang in Vineyard homes all over the Island because of his generosity in giving them as gifts. Together with Maggie, his wife of 66 years (in the picture), they have for decades cooked for and entertained an uncountable multitude of townspeople, friends, and visitors, many involved with the visual and literary arts. Having had a butcher grandfather, Bob seems to have inherited the skill of carving meat. For some number of years the late Tom Vogel cooked the turkeys for the town's annual holiday party, and Bob skillfully and laboriously prepared them for presentation to the hundreds who attend each year.

Robert Edward Schwartz, architect, renderer, painter, cook, gardener, raconteur, good friend, we thank you for your selfless willingness to help, to be involved, and to share your many talents with the Town of West Tisbury and the Island.



## IN MEMORIUM

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Marjorie Manter Rogers was a kind and caring person with a big heart. Marjorie provided many island youth with their first pony ride or riding lesson at her beloved Pond View Farm. If you didn't have the money to pay she would let you muck out a few stalls in exchange! Her love for West Tisbury was well known as was her affection for her animals. *Skipper Manter*



## IN MEMORIUM

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Howard mowed grass for the town for more than 20 years. was helpful to all and always willing to lend a hand He was a the only person I knew with a degree in Physiology that cur grass for a living and insisted his first riding lawn mower come equipped with headlights so he could work longer into a summer's evening a sense of humor and a sharp wit and enjoyed dealing with people. *John Alley*

## THAW

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The ground is thawing. And now the sun  
has reached an angle of amber

upon the bees; the field's mud  
is stirring. This afternoon, peepers

in the shallow pond in the woods, flooded  
their hunger-making sound from their throats,

and I got down to the work of writing to you.  
I got down and filled my hands with the muddy

words that sat cold in the melt, sat in the salt  
and cinders beside the path, where the crocuses open

their mouths skyward, their yellow tongues of impatience,  
their veined throats wondering at the pleated earth,

through which they've broken too recent to understand  
their coming and what they've brought me:

words, those sweet fictions, solid enough  
to reassemble your footsteps,

true enough to serve as the bird calling you, Love.  
In my boots and jeans and gloves, with shears

in hand, the sun escalating, I increase the claim  
my soul has made, here

where the house throws down her shadow  
upon the hours of my labor,

upon the stone wall and through the orchard—  
the hundred ways this suppliant makes

appeal to the land. The work is  
the prayer.

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**TOWN OFFICERS  
2013  
(ELECTED BY BALLOT)**

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**MODERATOR**

F. Patrick Gregory	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Richard Knabel	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Cynthia E. Mitchell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Erik Lowe	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Timothy Barnett	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
David A. Merry	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Robert Mone	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Michael Colaneri	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Richard Cohen	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

**TREASURER**

Katherine Logue	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
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**TAX COLLECTOR**

Brent B. Taylor	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
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**TOWN CLERK**

Tara J. Whiting	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
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**TREE WARDEN**

Jeremiah Brown	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
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**CONSTABLES**

Timothy E. Maley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Timothy Barnett	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Katherine Triantafillou	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Gary Montrowl	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Greg Orcutt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Sharon Estrella	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Jonathan Revere	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Linda Hearn	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Gina Solon	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Harvey W. Garneau Jr.	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Melissa M. Hackney	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Virginia C. Jones	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Daniel Waters	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **PLANNING BOARD**

Virginia Jones	Term 5 Years, Expires 2014
Susan S. Silva	Term 5 Years, Expires 2015
Leah Smith	Term 4 Years, Expires 2015
Bea Phear	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017
Matthew Merry	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017

#### **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Cheryl Lowe	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Suzanne Hammond	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Lisa Amols	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Mark Bernard	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE WEST TISBURY REPRESENTATIVES**

Dan Cabot	Michael Marcus
J. Skipper Manter	

#### **LAND BANK COMMISSIONER**

Glenn R. Hearn	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
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**TOWN OFFICERS  
2013  
(Appointed by Selectmen unless otherwise noted)**

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**AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE**

*(members appointed by various town boards)*

Michael Colaneri	Vickie Thurber
Ernest Mendenhall	Glenn Hearn
Julie Sierputowski	Joanne Scott
Henry Geller	

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/DOG OFFICER**

Joan Jenkinson	Term 1 Year
Allen Healy, Assistant	Term 1 Year

**CABLE TV ADVISORY BOARD**

Jennifer Rand

**CAPE & VINEYARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

Jennifer Rand

**CAPE LIGHT COMPACT**

Sue Hruby

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE**

*(members appointed by various town boards)*

Sue Hruby	Michael Colaneri
Katherine Logue	Cynthia E. Mitchell
Dick Mezger	Leah Smith
Bruce Stone	

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS**

Richard Knabel	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Cynthia E. Mitchell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

**CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT**

John S. Alley	Term 1 Year
Glenn Hearn, Assistant	Term 1 Year
Brian Athearn, Assistant	Term 1 Year

### **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

*(members appointed by various town boards)*

Sean Conley	Cheryl Lowe
Lesley Eaton	Gary Montrowl
Glenn Hearn	Bea Phear
Dale Julier	Peter Rodegast
	Scott Stearns

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

*Tom Della Rocco	Term 1 Year, Expires 2014
Whit Griswold	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Tara Whiting	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Peter Rodegast	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Binnie Ravitch	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Prudence Burt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Ann Nelson	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Nancy P. Cabot	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015

### **COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR**

Joyce Bowker	Term 1 Year
Tanya Larsen, Assistant Director	Term 1 Year

### **DATA PROCESSING**

Kathy Logue	Term 1 Year
Bruce Stone	Term 1 Year

### **DUKES COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD**

J. Skipper Manter	Term 1 Year
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### **DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Ernie Mendenhall	Term 1 Year
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### **DUTCH ELM DISEASE WARDEN**

Jeremiah Brown	Term 1 Year
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### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

John Christensen, Director	Term 1 Year
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### **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

Sander Shapiro	Sue Hruby
Margaret Skinner	Tim Twombly*

**FENCE VIEWERS**

Joanie Ames	Term 1 Year
Richard Hammond	Term 1 Year

**FIRE CHIEF/FOREST WARDEN**

Manual Estrella III	Term 1 Year
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**HEALTH CARE ACCESS OVERSITE BOARD**

Rex Jarrell

**HERRING WARDEN**

John Hoy	Term 1 Year
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**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Sean Conley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Nancy Dole	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Ben Moore	Term 3 years, Expires 2014
Mark Mazer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Lanny McDowell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Anne Fischer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

**INSECT CONTROL WARDEN**

Jeremiah Brown	Term 1 Year
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**INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

Ernest Mendenhall	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Joe Tierney (Local Inspector)	Term 1 Year

**INSPECTOR OF SIGNS**

Ernest Mendenhall	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
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**JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Jennifer Rand	Term 1 Year
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**LAND BANK ADVISORY BOARD**

*(members appointed by various town boards)*

Tara Whiting	Lisa Amols
Michael Colaneri	George Hough
William Haynes	Susan Silva

**LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Linda Hearn	Tucker Hubbell
Leah Smith	Robert Paul Levine
Mark Mazer	Eric Lowe
Ian Aitchison	

#### **LOCAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Anne Fisher	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Leslie Gray	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Karin Stanley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Jill Bouck	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Ellen Weiss	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Richard Burt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE**

Brian Smith	Term 1 Year
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#### **MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL**

Marta Camargo	Term 2 Years, Expires 2014
Beth Kramer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Robert Paul Levine	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **MARTHA'S VINEYARD TV SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE**

Gail Tipton	Term 1 Year
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#### **MILL POND COMMITTEE**

Bob Woodruff	Craig Saunders
Kent Healy	Barbara Day
Anna Alley	Rez Williams

#### **PERSONNEL BOARD**

Brian Smith	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Norman Perry	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
P. Gerry Gallagher	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Matthew Gebo (Empl. Rep.)	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
*Jennifer Haynes	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015

#### **PLANNING BOARD ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

Henry Gellar	Term 1 Year
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#### **POET LAUREATE**

Justen Ahren	Term 1 Year
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#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Mathew Gebo, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
J. Skipper Manter, Sergeant	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Daniel Gouldrup, Detective	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Matthew Mincone, Lieutenant	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Leomar De Oliveira, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015

Rusty Ventura, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
James Neville, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Daniel Rossi, Chief	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Garrison Viera, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS**

Brian Cioffi	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
John G. Early	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Tim Carroll	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Jonathan Klaren	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Manual Estrella III	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Richard T. Olsen	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Jeff Day	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
*Robert Cusack	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Jason Flanders	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Zachary Townes	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Bradley Cortez	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
John Parker	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Norm Perry	Ian Aitchison
Patrick Mitchell	Robert Smith
Daniel Rossi	Tony Cordray
Manny Estrella III	

#### **REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

John S. Alley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
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#### **BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

Antone H. Rezendes, Jr.	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
Bernice H. Kirby	Term 3 Years, Expires 2015
Rufus Peebles	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016

#### **SHELLFISH CONSTABLE**

Ray Gale	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
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#### **DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLE**

Kenneth M. Jones	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014
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#### **SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Will Whiting	Peter Vann
Richard C. Karney	Jason Gale
Virginia Jones	David Merry
John Hoy	

**SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Richard T. Olsen	Term 1 Year
Keith Olsen, Asst.	Term 1 Year

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Bruce Stone	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
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**CARE OF TOWN CLOCK**

Malcolm W. Young	Term 1 Year
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**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

Jennifer Rand	Term 1 Year
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**TOWN COUNSEL**

Ronald Rappaport	Term 1 Year
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**TRI TOWN AMBULANCE COMMITTEE**

Cynthia Mitchell	Term 1 Year
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**TRUANT OFFICER**

Dan Rossi	Term 1 Year
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**VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER**

Brian Athearn	Term 1 Year
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**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Bob Schwier	Term 5 Years, Expires 2015
Tucker Hubbell	Term 5 Years, Expires 2016
Tony Higgins	Term 4 Years, Expires 2016
Toni Cohen	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017
Larry Schubert, Associate	Term 2 Years, Expires 2014
Nancy Cole, Associate	Term 3 Years, Expires 2014

\*resigned



## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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2013 has been a year of forward movement on many new projects and issues, as well as the completion and resolution of others. Two town buildings under construction, several changes in Town Hall personnel, new legislation and updated technologies have made the year a busy, but a productive one.

In 2013 the town continued its recent history of managed budget increases. From fiscal year 2006 through the current fiscal year 2014, the town has had an average annual tax levy increase of 2.4% and not needed any proposition 2 1/2 overrides. During this same time period the town will have completed major capital projects for the Town Hall, the Library, the Police Station, the acquisition of the Field Gallery and major road resurfacing, as well as setting aside nearly a million dollars for its unfunded retiree health insurance liability—twice as much as any governmental entity on the island.

The large West Tisbury Library renovation project is close to completion, and by all accounts will be a huge success. The totally renovated and enlarged 13,000 square foot building will open in March 2014. Funded with a State grant of \$2.93 Million, the extensive and highly successful fundraising efforts of the West Tisbury Library Foundation totaling \$1.8 Million, and taxpayer support of \$1.5 Million, the library will be able to accommodate many additional community activities impossible in the much smaller old building. We look forward to seeing the grand new building blossom into the center of culture and learning envisioned by its many supporters, and congratulate the tireless building committee and countless others responsible for its completion.

The new West Tisbury Police Station is on schedule for completion also in early 2014, and is within budget. The 5,634 square foot building, which is adjacent to the Public Safety building, will create a much needed and long overdue space increase for the nine-member department. West Tisbury's finest have, for the most part, operated in the current 1,350 square-foot station since 1974 when the department had only three officers. The new building will increase operational efficiency, and also accommodate the Emergency Management Director, and the Animal Control Officer. A three-person committee has been appointed to look into possible future uses for the old station. Congratulations to the building committee, and everyone involved with this very important improvement for the town's first responders.

The Board has had to learn the language of photovoltaic energy this year. Specifically regarding the photovoltaic solar array planned for construction in 2014 at the capped West Tisbury Landfill. The array will be administered by

The Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC) for as long as twenty years. It is expected to produce enough power to cover the needs of the Town Hall, Public Safety Building, Police Station, Howe's House and Library as well as the West Tisbury School. This project has had to overcome a number of challenges, and we hope to see it completed and operational in the coming year.

An unusual amount of turnover in town staff occurred during 2013. Ernie Mendenhall, our long time Building/Zoning Inspector, retired and is replaced by Joe Tierney; Julie Keefe, our long time administrator for the Zoning Board of Appeals, retired and is replaced by Clare Huntington; Dawn Barnes is now the Principal Assessor. We welcome these new faces to the Town Hall family and offer them our ongoing support and best wishes for success.

We extend our profound thanks and appreciation to all the members of town boards, committees and commissions for all their time and efforts in resolving the many, seemingly endless, issues that come before them each year. West Tisbury is not only a textbook example of participatory democracy in design, but a shining example of its day-to-day operation as well; and we add our thanks to our able town personnel who implement the decisions and enforce the codes. West Tisbury is a desirable place to live, and we have every reason to be proud of it.

However, participatory democracy requires participation, and there is always turnover in the many volunteer positions. For those of you thinking of volunteering to serve our town, we urge you to check the town website periodically for vacancies, and to make our Town Administrator (696-0102) aware of your interest. All are welcome. We encourage and look forward to your participation.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Knabel  
J. Skipper Manter  
Cynthia E. Mitchell

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

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### BIRTHS

Due to the passing of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts 1991, which prohibits the sale and distribution of the names of children under the age of 17, births will no longer be published in the town report by name. The total number of births for West Tisbury in 2013 was 16.

### MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	Surname after Marriage	Residence
<b>May</b>			
18	R. Kirkham Safford	Safford	West Tisbury, MA
	Kristine L. Scheffer	Safford	West Tisbury, MA
25	Howard R. Attebery	Attebery	West Tisbury, MA
	Cynthia Riggs	Riggs	West Tisbury, MA
26	Michael Kenneth Brendler	Brendler	Washington, DC
	Amy Louise Kaufman	Brendler	Washington, DC
<b>June</b>			
1	Keith Paul Cronin	Cronin	West Tisbury, MA
	Jennifer Anne Wilcox	Cronin	West Tisbury, MA
2	Marc Jerald Rosenbaum	Rosenbaum	West Tisbury, MA
	Jill Ann De La Hunt	De La Hunt	West Tisbury, MA
8	Bradley Alan Hawk	Hawk	Tucson, AZ
	Laura Anne Douthitt	Hawk	Oro Valley, AZ
<b>July</b>			
5	Marques Chad Rivers	Rivers	West Tisbury, MA
	Sarah Priscilla Neubert	Rivers	West Tisbury, MA
13	Glenn James Davis	Davis	New York, NY
	Jessie Marie Elefante	Davis	New York, NY
<b>August</b>			
2	Gregory C.B. Lucas	Lucas	West Tisbury, MA
	Kim Michele Lawrence	Lucas	West Tisbury, MA
3	Nigel Tyris Smith	Smith	West Tisbury, MA
	Danielle Michaela Sedlier	Smith	West Tisbury, MA
5	Zoe Ariana Van Raan	Van Raan	Santa Fe, NM
	Maxine L. Sanchez	Sanchez	Santa Fe, NM

### Marriages (Continued)

DATE	NAME	Surname after Marriage	Residence
<b>August</b>			
20	Donald J. Soucy Jr	Soucy	Chicago, IL
	Damien Marc Palladino	Palladino	Chicago, IL
22	Julienne Haber Silverman	Silverman	New York, NY
	Stefanie Spina	Spina	New York, NY
23	Helen Elizabeth Booth	Booth	Philadelphia, PA
	Jennifer Fay Goldberg	Goldberg	Philadelphia, PA
25	Brian Edward Nelson	Nelson	Norwalk, CT
	Fabio Jose Xavier	Xavier	Norwalk, CT
31	Richard Thomas Rice	Rice	Atlanta, GA
	Steven Ross Kanter	Kanter	Atlanta, GA
<b>September</b>			
7	Steven Edward Bleile	Bleile	Richmond, VA
	Katherine Carroll McGurren	Bleile	Richmond, VA
7	Bryan David Taylor	Taylor	Oak Bluffs, MA
	Tanya Lee Cruz	Taylor	Oak Bluffs, MA
7	Ryan Francis Begley	Begley	Cortland Manor, NY
	Adriana Michel Stimola	Begley	Cortland Manor, NY
13	Rachael Arlene McCarty	McCarty	Springdale, AR
	Amanda Jo Johnson	McCarty	Springdale, AR
14	Peter Robert Hodgson	Hodgson	West Tisbury, MA
	Susan Bridges Gunnels	Hodgson	West Tisbury, MA
14	Kell Leiv Schoff	Schoff	Gainesville, FL
	Sarah Ann Kiley	Schoff	Gainesville, FL
17	Todd Alan Estrella	Estrella	West Tisbury, MA
	Kali Wingood	Wingood	West Tisbury, MA
21	Arthuur Terrell Moore	Moore	Brooklyn, NY
	Bridget Patterson McMahon	Moore	Brooklyn, NY
28	Juan More Laso	Laso	West Tisbury, MA
	Jane F. Paquet	Paquet	West Tisbury, MA
28	Charles Britton Beasley, Jr	Beasley	New York, NY
	Corinne Tara Packard	Beasley	New York, NY
<b>October</b>			
4	Patricia Louise Nilo	Nilo	Punta Gorda, FL
	Linda Fay Reed	Reed	Punta Gorda, FL

### Marriages (Continued)

DATE	NAME	Surname after Marriage	Residence
<b>October</b>			
5	Michael Bent O'Hara	O'Hara	Jupiter, FL
	Morgan Clark Anderson	O'Hara	Jupiter, FL
19	Robert Warner Holt	Holt	West Tisbury, MA
	Dorothy Ellen Szekely	Szekely	Brooklyn, NY
<b>November</b>			
9	Ryan Patrick Kurth	Kurth	West Tisbury, MA
	Kaitlyn Leah Maciel	Kurth	West Tisbury, MA
10	Dylan Joseph Morgan	Morgan	Tisbury, MA
	Nili Beth Goldstein	Morgan	Tisbury, MA
<b>December</b>			
3	Marc Gabriel Macfarlane	Macfarlane	West Tisbury, MA
	Paula Marie O'Neill	Macfarlane	West Tisbury, MA



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Milk Delivery

# DEATHS

DATE	NAME	AGE	PLACE OF BURIAL
<b>January</b>			
3	Marjorie Manter Rogers	84	West Tisbury, MA
<b>March</b>			
18	Joseph James Alconada	83	
<b>April</b>			
17	Grace Rouse	60	
18	Antone H. Rezendes Sr.	94	West Tisbury, MA
20	Ruth Marie Bowen	93	
29	Edward Southwick Child	91	Lambert's Cove, MA
<b>May</b>			
15	James Flight Alley	81	West Tisbury, MA
25	John Donald Patrick Sr	89	
<b>June</b>			
6	Carol Carrick	78	
<b>August</b>			
12	Robert Paul Lee	66	
<b>September</b>			
17	Robert L. Wittig II	83	
<b>October</b>			
7	David Scott Campbell	25	
19	Charles Henry Downs	69	
30	Maria Basillia Aguirre	83	
<b>November</b>			
12	Mabelle Parker Medowski	93	Lamberts Cove Cemetery
18	Volker Klaus Kaempfert	59	
19	Alma Benson	93	Lamberts Cove Cemetery
<b>December</b>			
11	Joseph Francis Mills	88	
25	Joanne S. Rice	79	
28	Howard Ivison Wall	63	

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

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### 9 APRIL 2013

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:10 pm who declared a presence of a 5% quorum, there being 156 qualified voters present (6.4%). All articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were two floor amendments. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

#### **Passed:**

**Article 1:** To elect Officers on the Official Ballot and to vote Yes or No Ballot Questions.

**Article 2:** Reports from Town Officers and Committees.

**Article 3:** Vote to Raise and Appropriate such sums of money to defray Town Expenses for FY 2014.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following expenditures in order to defray Town Capital Expenses for Fiscal Year 2014, consistent with the Town's Capital Improvement Plan: (police vehicle and fire department).

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$31,976, which is the Town's share of the total \$173,075 cost for the School Administration Building's 25% Schematic Design phase.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaw at Sections 26-3, 26-4 and 26-5 to reflect a wage adjustment of 2.0% effective July 1, 2013.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer and Collector to enter into Compensating Balance Agreements during Fiscal Year 2014 as permitted by M.G.L. c.44, §53F.

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$2,800,000 for the construction and equipping of a new Police Station actions relative thereto.

**AMENDED Change dollar amount; "\$2,495,000"**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to expend the sum of \$2,897.19, surplus dog license fees, for the support of the West Tisbury Free Public Library.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$38,105 to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the administrative expenses of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority in Fiscal Year 2014.

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$15,000 to transfer to the Terminated Employees Compensated Absences Reserve Fund.

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$76,000 to the Dukes County Pooled Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust.

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$20,000 to be transferred to the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust Fund for future affordable housing purposes.

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$12,500 from the FY2013 Library Personal Services line item to FY2013 Library Expenses line item.

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$9,000 and in addition transfer the sum of \$2,030 from Article 40 of the 2011 Annual Town Meeting and further transfer \$4,000 from Article 34 of the 2009 Annual Town Meeting for a total of \$15,030 for the purpose of conducting a study of the Mill Brook Watershed.

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaw: Section 11-2, Section 12.4, Section 13.0, Section 19.2 Delete sections b, c, & d and replace with a new Section 19.2 (b). **AMENDED Add words; “to be effective July 1, 2014**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize revolving funds previously established by vote of the Town under M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2, for fiscal year 2014.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$24,000 to be used by the Board of Assessors for the valuation update of real and personal property to meet triennial certification of values as required by Massachusetts State Law.

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 369 of the Acts of 2002, which will exempt a person age 70 or over, who owns a dog, from being charged a license fee. The owner will still be required to license the dog.

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$18,500 for the purpose of purchasing a pick-up truck for use by the Highway Department.

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$70,000 to be placed in the Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund.

**FAILED YES 50 NO 58**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the County of Dukes County to provide an Integrated Pest Management Program and to Raise and Appropriate \$9,945.92 as the Town’s proportionate share of the net cost of the program (\$67,021.00)

**Passed**



**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the County of Dukes County to provide a Vineyard Health Care Access Program, and to Raise and Appropriate \$41,381.50 as the proportional share of the net cost of the program. (\$276,245.00)

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to act upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee:

- a. Open Space reserve \$2,000
- b. Historical Resources reserve \$42,000 (10% of estimated FY2014 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- c. Community Housing reserve \$42,000 (10% of estimated FY2014 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- d. Undesignated reserve \$273,000 (65% of estimated FY2014 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

And, to appropriate for Administrative Expenditures \$21,000 (5% of estimated FY 2014 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

*Note: The above allocations to Reserves combined with actual appropriations awarded in subsequent articles ensure that at least 10% allocations are made for Open Space, Historical Resources and Community Housing from FY 2014 estimated Community Preservation Fund revenues.*

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to return the unexpended balance of \$89.57 from the Mill Pond Study voted at Annual Town Meeting, April 2010 (article #31) to the Community Preservation Open Space reserve.

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$100,000 to support debt service for the Town Hall renovation bond issue, with \$25,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historical Resources reserve and \$75,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. This is the fifth and final payment of five installments authorized by vote at Annual Town Meeting, April 2008.

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$40,000 from estimated FY2014 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Open Space to support debt service for the acquisition of the Maley/Field Gallery property. This is the second of four annual installments authorized by vote at Annual Town Meeting, April 2011.

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$12,000 to renovate the infield of The Manter Memorial Baseball Field, to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$5,000 from the Community Preservation Historical Resources reserve to preserve the town's historic records held by the Town Clerk and the Treasurer.

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$10,808 to replace windows in the historic County Courthouse, contingent upon proportional

support from all other Island towns, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Historic Resources reserve fund and \$808 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**Passed**

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$58,000 to support the rental assistance program of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority for West Tisbury households, with \$20,609 from the Community Housing reserve and \$37,391 from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$242,000 for the construction of three additional affordable rental apartments to be constructed and owned by the Island Housing Trust, and ground leased by the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority to the Island Housing Trust at the Sepiessa property, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$232,000 from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$50,000 to support affordable housing initiatives by the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust Fund administered by the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee and the Board of Selectmen, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$40,000 from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$52,700 to support second mortgage loans administered by The Island Housing Trust. Funding for this article to be transferred from the unexpended balance \$52,700, of The Helm Loan Fund Program voted at the Annual Town Meeting, April 2010 (article # 28).

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Stabilization Fund \$39,000 for the Town's share of purchasing and equipping a new ambulance.

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$210,000 to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2014.

**ARTICLE 37:** Non-Binding Resolution Regarding Senator Dianne Feinstein's bill (S-150)

## ELECTIONS

### 11 April 2013-Annual Town Election

Registered Voters 2431; Total Ballots Cast-238 (9.79%)

#### MODERATOR

Blanks	33
F. Patrick Gregory	205
Write-in	0

#### SELECTMAN

Blank	53
Cynthia E. Mitchell	184
Write-in	0

#### BOARD OF HEALTH

Blank	31
David A. Merry	207
Write-in	0

#### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Blanks	47
Richard Cohen	191
Write-in	0

#### TREASURER

Blank	43
Katherine Logue	195
Write-in	0

#### TAX COLLECTOR

Blank	45
Brent B. Taylor	193
Write-in	0

#### TOWN CLERK

Blank	29
Tara J. Whiting	209
Write-in	0

#### TREE WARDEN

Blanks	42
Jeremiah Armstrong Brown	196
Write-in	0

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Vote for 2
Blank	171
Sharon A. Estrella	154
Jonathan Revere	148
Write-ins	3

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEE Vote for 2

Blanks	103
Virginia C. Jones	175
Daniel A. Waters	196
Write-in	2

#### PARKS & RECREATION

Blanks	45
Mark 'Hap' Bernard	191
Write-in	3

#### QUESTION 1 Police Station Debt

Blanks	12
YES	167
NO	59

#### STATE PRIMARY

##### APRIL 30, 2013

Senator in Congress	
Total ballots cast	470

##### Democratic

Stephen F. Lynch	57
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<b>Edward J. Markey</b>	<b>340</b>
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##### Republican

<b>Gabriel Gomez</b>	<b>41</b>
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Michael J. Sullivan	30
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Daniel B. Winslow	2
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#### SPECIAL STATE ELECTION

##### June 25, 2013

Senator in Congress	
Total ballots cast	839

Gabriel E. Gomez	189
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<b>Edward J. Markey</b>	<b>644</b>
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Richard A. Heos	3
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## **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**5 NOVEMBER 2013**

**The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:10 pm who declared a presence of a 5% quorum, there being 164 qualified voters present. All articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were two floor amendments. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm**

### **PASSED**

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate \$10,808 to replace windows in the historic County Courthouse, contingent upon proportional support from all other Island towns, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Act Historic Resources reserve fund and \$808 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Act Undesignated reserve.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to create a “Roads Maintenance” Stabilization Fund

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to create a “Buildings Maintenance” Stabilization Fund.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$5,202 to increase budget line 241-5120, Inspector of Buildings – Personnel, \$103,103.23 to \$108,305.23.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$5,000 to increase budget line 241-5700, Inspector of Buildings – Expenses \$3,695 to \$8,695.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$8,223.56 to increase budget line 193-5700, Town Insurance, from \$65,100 to \$73,323.56.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following general by-law:

“No person shall smoke, ingest, or otherwise use or consume marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol (as defined in G. L. c. 94C, §1, as amended) while in or upon any street, sidewalk, public way, footway, passageway, stairs, bridge, park, playground, beach, recreation area, boat landing, public building, schoolhouse, school grounds, cemetery, parking lot, or any ~~that~~ area owned by or under the control of the Town; or in or upon any bus or other passenger conveyance operated by a common carrier; or in any place accessible to the public.

**AMENDED: To remove “ingest, or otherwise use or consume” PASSED**

### **MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINATELY PASSED**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to have its elected Treasurer become an appointed Treasurer for the Town effective April 10, 2014, must pass at ballot.

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the town will vote to Appropriate \$7,442.35 to purchase a lockable cabinet system with proper air flow to store and preserve historic West Tisbury documents.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate \$4,500 as additional funds to supplement the sum of \$18,500 approved in a vote on Article 20 at the Annual Town Meeting on April 9, 2013 to be used to purchase a truck for the highway department. The total appropriation then being \$23,000.

**FAILED**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following bylaw which states: *At any meeting of the inhabitants of the town qualified to vote in town affairs, the number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum shall consist of not less than five percent (5%) of registered voters of the town at the time of said meeting, but a number less than a quorum may from time to time adjourn such meetings. This by-law shall not apply to meetings or parts of meetings devoted exclusively to the election of town officers.* This was Article #14 of the Special Town Meeting held on January 17, 2006.

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the West Tisbury Zoning Bylaw to allow Registered Medical Marijuana Dispensaries (RMD) in the Mixed Business District and the Light Industrial Districts for the sale and cultivation of medical marijuana by Special Permit, with a cultivation area not to exceed 1000 square feet, specifically:

To be added to the Zoning Bylaw *Definitions* Section:

Medical Marijuana Cultivation area shall refer to the space in a building where plants are cultivated and does not include the area used for processing or dispensing.

Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) – A facility for the cultivation, production, processing, assembly, packaging, retail or wholesale sale, trade, distribution or dispensing of Marijuana for Medical Use, whether located inside a structure or building or not.

To be added to the Zoning Bylaw *Use Table* Section:

~~Registered Medical Marijuana Dispensary~~ operating location to be allowed by Special Permit in the Mixed Business District and the Light Industrial Districts.

To be added as a symbol addition to the Zoning Bylaw *Use Table* Section:

The Board of Selectmen is to be the special permit granting authority for a ~~Registered Medical~~ Marijuana Dispensary.

To be added to the Zoning Bylaw *Dimensionals* Table Section:

Maximum cultivation area for medical marijuana not to exceed 1000 square feet.

## **REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

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To the Board of Selectman:

The number of registered voters in

December 2013 was:

in January 2003:

Democrat	1013	677
Republican	167	166
Green	3	2
Green Rainbow	9	8
Libertarian	5	5
American Independent	1	5 (Socialist)
Un-enrolled	<u>1,308</u>	<u>1,099</u>
Total	2,506	1,958

The Street List of Residents in December 2013 was:

Voter	2,505
Non-Voter	716
Total	3,221

Respectfully submitted,

Antone H. Rezendes, Jr

Rufus Peebles

Bernice Kirby

Tara J. Whiting, Clerk

## REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

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In 2013, the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee (WTAHC) continued to focus its efforts on the goal of promoting and providing a supply of affordable housing for the residents of West Tisbury.

Since the start of the WTAHC in West Tisbury, 38 home/home site lots have been created, 41 affordable accessory apartments are rented or used by family members and 12 apartments are presently being subsidized for affordable housing with CPC funding. The accessory and rental assisted apartments and two rental facilities are overseen by Dukes County Regional Housing Authority (DCRHA).

**Collaborating to bring affordable housing to West Tisbury:** The WTAHC continues to oversee the Bailey Park Road Project. Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) has completed the 3 homes in the three-lot project off Bailey Park Road. Island Housing Trust (IHT) will hold a 99 year ground lease (in perpetuity) on the 3 homes.

The Island Housing Trust (IHT) undertook a new project at 619 West Tisbury /Edgartown Rd. which the WTAHC was involved in creating. This added another 2 homes to the affordable housing pool.

DCRHA Sepiessa apartment facility will be adding units as the project has been approved by MVC. IHT, the RFP winner, has been issued a special permit through the Zoning Board. When completed this project will add another 3 rental units to the affordable housing pool.

**Working with other committees:** The WTAHC continues to be involved in the island-wide Joint Affordable Housing Group through the MVC. Joanne Scott is the WTAHC representative to this island collaborative that joins to share affordable housing ideas and issues. Glenn Hearn represents the WTAHC on the Community Preservation Committee. Ernie Mendenhall continues to be a DCRHA representative. The other members of the committee also sit or represent various committees of West Tisbury.

AHC along with the other island towns and the MVC supported the undertaking of assessing the housing needs of the community. The Martha's Vineyard Housing Needs Assessment has been completed. It is available to the public. Here are a few of the figures. West Tisbury's largest age population appears to be between the ages of 55-64 at 22% with the median age being 45.5. The report says there are 260 individuals living below the poverty line in West Tisbury. These figures are based on the 2010 census states the report. The median cost of a single family home figure is \$704,000 but the average (median income) family affordable price is \$372,500 leaving a gap of \$331,500. The overall island wide summary states that more than 25% of all households earned less than

\$35,000.00 and that there are declining numbers of younger residents and an increase in the older ones. The summary of priorities states rental units especially for the extremely and very low-income residents, seniors and working class families as number one need. Recommendations to address the housing needs included identifying development opportunities that provide some greater scale and density in appropriate locations, adopting zoning and regulatory changes that will better utilize existing developable property which includes affordable housing, continue to donate publicly owned property for affordable housing, reach out to private donors, adopt fee waivers or reductions for affordable housing and work together as a whole island community to develop affordable housing for the community.

**How You Can Help:** The WTAHC encourages homeowners with large lots to consider using the home site lot creation bylaw by which you can create an affordable home on a smaller lot or maybe create an affordable accessory apartment (See Zoning Bylaw Section 4.4). The committee extends a welcome to join the committee to anyone with ideas and a willingness to help create affordable housing. At present, there are two vacant alternate positions open.

The committee continues to update its comprehensive handbook, which contains the WTAHC guidelines to assist prospective affordable homeowners and developers seeking information on zoning issues and bylaws that affect affordable housing in West Tisbury. The handbook is available on the third floor at town hall, by calling the WTAHC administrative assistant or by emailing [affordhouse@westtisbury-ma.gov](mailto:affordhouse@westtisbury-ma.gov).

WTAHC has been working on a new affordable housing program. This program at present is being called Community Preservation Partnership. The program concept is similar to the MA TRI program. It will help homeowners in need by creating an affordable housing unit within their home which should help carry the homeowner's financial burden.

This year the committee continues to search out opportunities to create and obtain affordable housing for West Tisbury. Many thanks go out to those individuals, businesses and organizations that have contributed and continue to give their time and expertise to creating affordable housing solutions and to helping the WTAHC reach their goals in the affordable housing endeavors.

Respectfully submitted:

Joanne Scott, At Large Rep. (Chair)  
Mike Colaneri, Board of Assessor's Rep. (Vice Chair)  
Glenn Hearn, Selectmen's Rep.  
Ernie Mendenhall, Building Dept. Rep.  
Julie Sierputoski, At Large Rep.  
Vickie Thurber, Board of Health Rep,  
Henry Geller, Planning Board Rep.



## **REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

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To the Board of Selectmen and the Residents of West Tisbury:

Hi:

Well, I am entering my twenty-fourth year as your Animal Control Officer and I still love my job. Even though I am getting older by the day, I enjoy it as much as I did on day one and I know a whole lot more than I did then. We have around 500 dogs in West Tisbury but as you all know, we don't just do dogs. My able assistant, Allen Healy, and myself take care of all animals with the exception of skunks and raccoons. I still lend out my Havaheart trap to residents that want to catch skunks or raccoons but I do not handle them once they are in the trap. There are a couple of men up island that do that.

I have another favorite event that happened again in town and that is the hatching of the cygnets at the Mill Pond. They don't just give me a great deal of pleasure, they also are loved by passersby and the people who enjoy feeding them on the shore of the Mill Pond. I don't want to get into politics but I would hate to see the pond drained or even dredged for that matter. The wildfowl keep the grasses down and the pond looks good as it is. Well, maybe a little dredging but not enough to upset whoever is living there, either above or below the water. My motto is don't mess with Mother Nature unless it's a life or death situation. Anyway, enough of that. The presence of the swans and their young is a never-ending learning experience for me and for others. The one sad event that happened is that one of the cygnets was attacked by a huge turtle and I caught the cygnet and took it to Animal Health Care for immediate care and then we (my husband and me) took him to Cape Cod Wildlife in Barnstable where they took x-rays and came out and told us the damage was too great and he had to be put down. Very sad were we. So now, the remaining two cygnets are still with Mama and Papa (Bobette and Bob) on the Tisbury Great Pond and any day now, they will fledge on their own to live their own lives.

It has been a busy year for Allen and me. We had a total of 1,435 calls during the year which averages around 4-5 calls a day...some days only 1 or 2 calls and other days, 9 or 10 calls, with summers being busier of course.

I had 9 quarantines of dogs and cats during the year.

There were:

- 1056 dog calls
- 201 cat calls
- 45 wildlife calls
- 28 small livestock calls

44 large livestock calls  
14 domestic hit by car calls  
8 feral cats hit by cars

39 calls to help owners with their sick animals and no I am not a vet, thank goodness.

Of course we handle many more conversations than that as people stop us and chat about their pets or show us a new dog or ask us to get a Spay/Neuter Coupon for their cat or dogs appointment at their veterinarians or chat about advice in general.

We never get bored with this job as every call is different and most of the time the outcome is rewarding.

We would like to thank all the veterinarians on the island for their help when needed, Animal Health Care for the use of their building as our pound, which works out beautifully for us, the WT Police and Highway Dept. for standing by when they think I need help with a call, the Communications Center and Town Hall for fielding our calls, passersby that see me out there trying to catch a wayward critter, (oh, and by the way, I got a new High Visibility jacket to wear at night, which is great). I would like to thank Allen Healy who gets calls from me even though he is not on duty to assist me in a matter that takes two people to deal with.

Sincerely,

Joan W. Jenkinson  
West Tisbury Animal Control Officer

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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In calendar year 2013 we completed an interim year valuation of all properties in the Town as mandated by the State. Values were based on analysis of sales data from calendar 2012. The fiscal year 2014 approved tax rate was set at \$5.41. Property values are available on our GIS website [www.caigisonline.com](http://www.caigisonline.com).

The final fiscal year 2013 the office received 16 applications for Real Estate and Personal Property Tax; all of which were settled successfully within the Assessors' office.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express their gratitude to Kristina West, former Principal Assessor for her attention to detail, unique skills and dedication to the town throughout her employment, 2007 through 2013.

As we head into calendar year 2014, fiscal year 2015, the office will continue to look for ways to provide quality work to our citizens as efficiently as possible, mitigating costs wherever we can. The staff will continue to further our education in our efforts to serve the Town to the best of our abilities.

Our office is located on the third floor of Town Hall. We are open from 9:00am to 4:30pm, Monday thru Friday. Information about the department is available on the Assessor's page of the Town's website, [www.westtisbury-ma.gov](http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov). Citizens can download their property record cards, generate abutters lists and view property photos at [www.caigisonline.com](http://www.caigisonline.com).

Please contact the office if you have any questions or concerns about what we do. We look forward to continuing to serve the Town.

Sincerely,

Michael Colaneri, Chair  
Richard Cohen, Member  
Bob Mone, Member  
Dawn Barnes, Principal Assessor  
Tammis Sprague, Data Collector

**TAX RECAPITULATION****FY2013****TAXABLE VALUE BY CLASS**

Residential	2,283,193,672
Commercial	66,319,728
Industrial	4,542,200
Personal Property	31,886,104
<b>TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE</b>	<b>2,385,941,704</b>

**ANNUAL TAX LEVY**

Appropriations	16,129,831.57
Other Local Expenditures	97,224.96
State & County Assessments	182,193.00
Overlay	109,272.06
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED</b>	<b>16,518,521.59</b>

Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds	<b>3,610,576.97</b>
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<b>NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION (TOTAL LEVY)</b>	<b>12,907,944.62</b>
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**TAX RATE ALL CLASSES**

<u>(Net Amount to be raised divided by Total Taxable Value)</u>	<b>\$5.41</b>
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The North Tisbury Shop

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Board of Selectmen:

The ongoing Tick Borne Illness Reduction Initiative had another active year in 2013. The Initiative completed its third year of a 5-year grant from the Martha's Vineyard Hospital at the end of 2013. Highlights of the year include significantly increased traffic at the website (MVBOH.org) that has been established to provide a means to distribute information to the public. In 2013 - 2,178 unique people visited the website - looked at a total of 7,010 pages for an average of 2.5 pages per person, for average time of 3 min. This is approximately 3 times as many visits as the website got in 2012.

The grant funded an infrared aerial thermal imaging survey of the deer population on the island. The Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game estimates the Vineyard has approximately 50 deer per square mile based on animal health characteristics collected during deer hunting season. The Mass Dept. of Fish and Game deer density was validated by the aerial survey which calculated an island-wide total of approximately 50 deer per square mile. The important thing about the deer herd size relative to tick borne illness, especially Lyme disease, is that during the fall a deer will host hundreds of female deer ticks seeking their last major blood meal before laying her 2000 +/- eggs. Without that major blood meal the female cannot produce her eggs. Therefore, it's important in the deer tick lifecycle to understand how many deer there are on the Vineyard and where they're located. Work is currently underway to confirm the high-density deer population areas and to measure tick densities in those areas. Interestingly, some of the high deer density areas are near residential areas where humans risk becoming infected by ticks that are there as a result of the deer hosts.

A number of new videos were produced and added to the Island's Boards of Health website (MVBOH.org). This includes a comprehensive video to aid parents in better protecting their children from tick-borne illnesses. This video was produced in both English and Portuguese, and was provided to each of the Island's grade school students in DVD form. The video was also made available on MVBOH.org. Another video was produced showing how best to protect oneself from tick-borne illnesses while hunting. All of these videos feature well-informed, well-known and well-respected Island spokespersons.

The primary goal of the Tick Borne Illness Reduction Initiative is to educate Vineyard residents and visitors on how to reduce their risk of being exposed to ticks and to recognize the early symptoms of tick borne illness to receive treatment early. Prevention and early treatment will significantly reduce the amount of tick borne illness that becomes late term or chronic disease.

Mass Department of Public Health (MDPH) continues to issue date certain emergency management "deliverables" or mandates for the BOH to satisfy.

The Board works with many different agencies locally such as the Hospital, Martha's Vineyard Medical Reserve Corp, Dukes County Emergency Management, and the six Town's Boards of Health. As part of the MDPH's "Region 5B Coalition "(Cape & Islands) the BOH has made progress establishing a functioning "Medical Reserve Corp" (MRC) of medically trained and none medically trained volunteers who are able to help in the event of an emergency. For more information on becoming a medical or non-medical volunteer you can contact the MRC at their website ([www.mvmedicalreservecorps.org](http://www.mvmedicalreservecorps.org)),

by e-mail at [admin@medicalreservecorps.org](mailto:admin@medicalreservecorps.org),

by phone at 508-696-3811, or by fax at 508-696-3841.

The Island Wide Flu Clinic normally held on the Saturday of Columbus day weekend was held on Saturday October 26th this was the eighth year of conducting a large scale event that not only offers Flu vaccinations it also serves to test our ability to do mass inoculations in case of emergency. This year was all drive thru shots and was held in two locations the West Tisbury School in West Tisbury and in Oak Bluffs at Waban Park. In addition it also helps the police with traffic planning and staging areas. The Board would like to thank all the volunteers, as well as the Visiting Nurse Association, The All Island Police Chiefs, All Island Fire Departments, The Martha's Vineyard Medical Reserve Corp, The Red Cross, The Salvation Army, The West Tisbury School, The Cape Cod Community College nursing program and all who donated toward these clinics.

The Board issued the following licenses and permits in 2013.

Semi-Public Swimming Pool Permits.....	3
Bathing Beaches.....	9
Bed & Breakfast Permits .....	3
Camp Permits .....	2
Well Permits .....	19
Septic System Permits.....	53
Food Establishment Permits.....	25 *
Temporary Food Establishment Permits .....	84 **
Motel Permit (Youth Hostel).....	1
Tent Permits .....	3
Septic PumpingPermits .....	137
Septic Hauler License .....	6
Septic Installer License .....	19
Tobacco Vendors License.....	3
Pool Permits .....	3

\* Includes restaurants, food stores, caterers & bakers with approved home kitchens.

\*\* Vendors at Farmers' Market, Fair, and other special events.

The Refuse District processed and shipped over 10,700 tons in 2013 of waste and construction material. Over 7,500 tons of the material delivered to SEMASS Waste to Energy Facility in Rochester Ma., and the remaining tonnage (3,200) was recycled Construction Material delivered to New England Recycling located in Taunton, Ma.. Our recycling efforts also removed over 1000 tons of mixed single stream recycling, 483 tons of cardboard and mixed paper, 200 tons of various metals, over 250 batteries, 16 tons of tires, and 450 tons of leaves/brush. We are proud to announce that over 500 households participated in the District's Hazardous Household Waste Collection program during 2013. After 24 years, the program continues to grow and provide Island residents the opportunity to dispose of hazardous material in an environmentally correct and safe way.

Harmful Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates are held on the third Saturday each of the following months with no charge to residents.

May, July, September and November from 9am – 12pm for residents.

12pm – 12:30pm for commercial (fee, please call for appointment)

***"We now sell individual packs of hardener for Latex paint"***

Mercury Elements and Florescent light bulbs accepted during regular business hours.

(Please watch our local newspaper for dates and any changes to come)

The collection location is held at the Refuse District located @ 750 West Tisbury Rd. Edgartown.

In conclusion, the Board would like to thank the following for the time and effort in fulfilling the various responsibilities of the positions they hold. Health Agent and Animal inspector John Powers, Animal inspector Joan Jenkinson, BOH representative to the Land Bank Advisory Board William Haynes and affordable housing representative Victoria Thurber.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Barnett, Chairman  
David Merry  
Erik Lowe

## **REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR**

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The Following Permits were issued by the Building Department in 2013

8 Single Family Residences	3 Demolition
2 Residential New Construction	4 Foundation
15 Residential Additions	4 Wood Stove
18 Residential Alterations	50 Minor Work
4 Residential Renovations	1 Greenhouse
1 Residential Reconstruction	1 Trailer
2 Attached Garage	1 Chicken Coop
6 Detached Garage w/Bedroom	1 Commercial Mixed Use
5 Detached Garage	3 Commercial Alteration
2 Detached Bedroom	1 Commercial Repair
2 Barn	1 Commercial Addition
1 Dry Studio	3 Annual Inspections
28 Shed	184 Electrical Permits
27 Solar Array- 175.87 Total kW	101 Gas Permits
3 Solar Hot Water	88 Plumbing
8 Private Swimming Pool	16 Fuel Oil Storage
1 Pool House	86 LPG Storage

Total Permit Fees Collected-	\$95,186.10
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Respectfully submitted,

Joseph K. Tierney, Jr.  
Local Inspector  
Ernest P. Mendenhall



## REPORT OF THE CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

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*"I joined the Compact's Governing Board because I think it's important for all of the town's to be involved in the Compact and support its mission. The Compact is doing such important work for the Towns and the residents of the Cape and Vineyard. I hope to make our West Tisbury residents more aware of the programs offered." – Sue Hruby*

Cape Light Compact is an intergovernmental organization consisting of the 21 towns and 2 counties on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. The Compact's mission is to serve our 200,000 customers through the delivery of proven energy efficiency programs, effective consumer advocacy, competitive electricity supply and green power options.

### *POWER SUPPLY*

Many of the same factors that influenced New England's electricity prices in 2012 persisted in 2013. Most notably, the price of natural gas remained the most important driver of electricity prices, as the fuel used to produce more than half of the region's electricity. While New England's consumption of natural gas continues to increase, both for generating electricity and for heating, as gas displaces oil, 2013 has not seen any new pipeline capacity into the region. As a result, despite relatively low and stable prices for natural gas in other parts of the country, the gas transmission bottleneck into New England has continued to push our prices up.

So, what's being planned to help relieve this constraint? First, ISO New England, the organization charged with operating the region's electrical grid, introduced a "Winter Reliability Program." During particularly cold periods of winter 2012/2013, there were periods when, because of the increased use of natural gas for heating, dual-fuel generators, or facilities that can burn natural gas or oil to generate electricity, were called on to produce electricity with oil, because of natural gas shortages. Unfortunately, many of these facilities did not have enough oil on site to operate when called upon, simply because of the substantial cost of carrying a large oil inventory. The Winter Reliability Program will pay these dual-fuelled units to stock up on oil, so they can operate if called upon. In theory, this should help the region avoid a shortage of natural gas during cold snaps in the 2013/2014 winter.

Over the long term, most are looking to new or expanded natural gas pipelines into New England as the solution. There are challenges here too however, and the region's largest pipeline may not be expanded until the end of 2016. As a result, power supply prices in the first half of 2014 will increase substantially. We expect these prices to come down somewhat in the second half of 2014, but are not likely to fall below eight cents per kWh.

In 2013, Cape Light Compact provided energy to residents and businesses in accordance with a competitive electricity supply contract negotiated by the Compact with ConEdison *Solutions*. As of the most recent count, the Compact had 1,779 electric accounts in the Town of West Tisbury on its energy supply. Customers have a choice as to which power supplier they wish to engage, and are able to opt out of, and return to, the Compact's supply at any time with no charge. The Compact encourages customers to participate in competitive electric markets, and to be well informed consumers.



#### *CONSUMER ADVOCACY*

Since 1997, Cape Light Compact has advocated for the ratepayers of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard at the local, state and federal level. This consumer advocacy has saved customers over \$142 million and the Compact is currently fighting to prevent an additional \$20 million rate increase to residential customers.

#### *ENERGY EFFICIENCY*

Jan – Dec 2013	# of Participants	Savings Customer	kWh Saved	Rebates/Incentives Paid to Customers
Low Income	8	\$5,796.60	28,983	\$28,740.49
Residential	116	\$23,955.40	119,777	\$144,118.46
Commercial	14	\$8,281.60	41,408	\$39,196.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>\$38,033.60</b>	<b>190,168</b>	<b>\$212,055.85</b>

Funding for the energy efficiency programs (i.e. energy audits for homes and businesses, rebates on the purchase of energy efficient appliances and energy education in our schools) comes from a monthly customer “energy conservation” charge (\$0.0025 cents multiplied by the number of kilowatt hours used during the month) that appears on each customer’s electric bill.

Other Cape Light Compact efforts include:

- 3 ENERGY STAR® qualified homes were built in the Town of West Tisbury.
- The Cape Light Compact's Energy Education Program continues to support teachers and students through classroom materials, standards-based education curriculum, teacher training, an island-wide "Energy Carnival" held at the Oak Bluffs School and sponsors the all-island 5th grade Solar Car Race held in June. In addition, the Compact helps to sponsor the MVRHS Science Fair and educational efforts of the Living Local Festival held at the grange hall in October.
- The Town of West Tisbury received \$33,305 in technical assistance from Cape Light Compact and CLC vendors in support of their Green Communities grant. This money was spent conducting ASHRAE Level 2 energy assessments at the Public Safety Building, Fire Station 1, Howes House, and the Town Hall in addition to consulting on the energy efficient design of the new construction projects of town buildings.

Sue Hruby  
West Tisbury Representative

## REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING COMMITTEE

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### **Introduction**

The Capital Improvements Planning Committee is charged with studying “proposed capital outlays, projects and improvements involving major tangible assets and projects” with a view to recommending those capital improvement projects which should be undertaken over the next five years. These assets and projects are defined as those costing over \$25,000 and having a useful life of five years or more. Our charge is to prepare a capital budget for the next fiscal year, considering the relative need, impact, timing and cost of the various requested expenditures, as well as to project a capital program for the next five years. The following narrative and the chart at the end of this report outline the FY2015 capital budget, as well as projections for the capital program for the next five years, through FY2019.

### **Policy**

- Present all capital warrant items together in one capital budget article, immediately following the general operating budget article, at the Annual Town Meeting, in order to present an accurate overall picture of the Capital Budget. As with the general operating budget, individual items in the plan are still subject to discussion and amendment.
- The Town and the Board of Selectmen shall adhere to the Capital Improvement by-law, by ensuring that all capital spending requests are placed on a Town Meeting warrant only after they have been evaluated and prioritized by the Capital Improvements Planning Committee.
- Town departments shall take responsibility for maintenance of the buildings and other physical assets under their control in their annual budgets, and shall consult with the Board of Selectmen or their designee before undertaking repairs, to ensure that the work undertaken is in line with both facilities management and energy goals of the Town.
- The Town’s capital improvement program shall provide for consistent debt service and capital spending that is as close to level as possible over time, so that taxes do not fluctuate excessively due to capital spending.

### **Recommendations**

- That the Board of Selectmen continue the process that will result in a formal Facilities Management Program, including the drafting and implementation of a three-to-five-year management plan for each Town building. Further, that the program evaluate the relative merits of town-wide vs. building-by-building facilities management, and work in concert with the Energy Committee for the purpose of making the town buildings more energy efficient over time.
- That the Town and the Finance Committee support the need for maintenance budget lines adequate to maintain the value and condition of the

Town's buildings and equipment and assure that relevant systems are as energy efficient as possible.

- That the Board of Selectmen appoint a committee to complete a Highway Department building and equipment needs assessment for a 10-15 year time frame. At the time of the original Space Needs Study in 2007, the department had no building except the salt shed and virtually all equipment was owned by subcontractors. The department now occupies a building which is in need of considerable work and owns two vehicles and other equipment, and has two full-time year-round employees. Our Committee recommends that this needs assessment be completed before further substantial repairs and/or equipment are pursued.
- That the Town and the Finance Committee support the need for maintenance budget lines adequate to maintain the value and condition of the Town's buildings and equipment and assure that relevant systems are as energy efficient as possible.

#### **Recent Capital Events**

- The Fire Department's second brush breaker truck has been ordered and is expected to be delivered by March 2014.
- The resurfacing work on the second half of the Town's roads was completed and came in more than \$250,000 under budget. Permanent 15-year bonding of the reduced amount was obtained in the fall of 2013.
- The Library expansion/renovation project held a ground-breaking ceremony in December 2012 and work began in January 2013. The project is expected to be completed in March 2014. Permanent 15-year bonding for the Town's portion of the funding was finalized in November 2013.
- The new Police Station is expected to be completed by April 2014 and permanent 20-year bonding is planned for June 2014.
- The Regional High School completed a \$1.9 million renovation/roof replacement project in the summer of 2013.

#### **Requested Capital Projects FY2015 – FY2019**

Following is a chart with accompanying notes below for the FY2015 items. Note that this report does not include any new capital expenditures by the Up-Island and MV Regional High School Districts, because they fund their capital expenditures through their annual budgets and assessments. The Committee has prioritized the capital requests using the following coding:

<u>Priority Code</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
1	This project <b>must be completed</b> , as it is necessary for public health and safety, to meet our legal obligations or for reasons of fiscal prudence.
2	This project <b>should be completed</b> to maintain or expand our existing assets.
3	This project is <b>useful but not essential</b> at this time.

(Please note that projects are rated according to their present priority, so may get a higher priority as time goes by.)

Cemetery. The Cemetery Commissioners (Selectmen) have applied for a \$75,000 CPA historic preservation grant to replace the cemetery fence at the West Tisbury Cemetery.

Energy Committee. In FY 2013, the Town accepted a Green Communities \$143,000 grant from the State. The goal of the grant is to improve the energy-efficiency of the Town's facilities over the next four years. During 2013, four building Energy Audits (for Howes House, Fire Station 1, Public Safety Building and the Town Hall) were completed through Cape Light Compact. These audits identified approximately \$100,000 in energy improvements to our buildings that will be funded through the State DOER and Cape Light Compact. The Energy Committee is presently reviewing them with the State in the hopes that most of the projects will meet their grant criteria. The projects focus on building improvements as well as an LED Street Lighting conversion. More details can be found in the Energy Committee Report.

Fire Department. The department forecasts the need for a new pumper truck in approximately two to four years to replace a 1988 truck. The FY2015 funds requested are for the second of four years of funds to be set aside in the Fire Equipment Stabilization toward the truck.

Highways. With major road resurfacing now complete, the Town plans to begin to set aside funds beginning in FY2016 toward future road repairs in a stabilization fund that was set up for that purpose in the fall of 2013. See also Recommendations, above, regarding a long-term needs assessment.

Library. The Library Building Committee is requesting \$40,000 from the Town for unforeseen additional costs on the library project. The West Tisbury Library Foundation has already committed to funding \$275,000 and the Library Friends another \$25,000 in costs outside the project budget, for such items as landscaping, additional furniture and the like.

Mill Pond. The Mill Pond Committee has received a completed Environmental and Engineering study from ESS Group and is initiating an environmental assessment of the entire Mill Brook watershed. They have also applied for CPC funding for planning and permitting for future dredging of the Mill Pond, which is contingent upon a matching private commitment of \$20,000.

Police. The police have adopted a program of replacing one vehicle each year.

Refuse District. The MVRRD is developing a conceptual design for a revised layout of the central facility. This design separates residential and commercial traffic, to relieve congestion and improve safety and processing efficiency. Cost estimates are underway; if the project goes forward, the cost will be funded by Refuse District debt as old debt is retired, through the regional budget/assessment.

Schools. The regional school system is continuing to work on a feasibility and preliminary design study for a new facility for the Superintendent's Shared Office, to be located on the high school property.

Town Buildings. Now that most of the town buildings have been built or renovated, the Town plans to begin to set aside funds annually toward future building repairs and maintenance, in a stabilization fund that was set up for that purpose in the fall of 2013. It is likely that the first use of these funds will be the Howes House, where the roof and most of the windows will need to be replaced within the next one to three years. Similarly, if a decision is made to proceed, repairs to the highway department building on Old Courthouse Road. The funds for this work will come from a combination of Green Communities grant funding, the new town buildings stabilization fund, and possibly CPA funds for historic preservation.

Tri-Town Ambulance. There are three Tri-Town ambulances, one stationed in each town. Two of these ambulances are scheduled to be replaced; the first in FY2014 and the second in FY2016. Since the ambulance service began charging insurance companies, it has reserved a portion of the receipts for such capital expenditures; to date, those reserves are sufficient to purchase a major portion of two ambulances. In addition, the Town has set aside over \$91,000 in an ambulance stabilization fund; we now have sufficient funds for West Tisbury's share of the next two ambulance purchases, after application of the ambulance receipts capital reserves.

### **Summary**

If all of the FY2015 requests are approved, we will spend a total of \$1,362,965 on new and existing capital expenditures (including regionally assessed debt), continuing to meet our goal of maintaining level capital spending. For FY2015, this spending breaks down as follows:

- \$939,765 in general fund debt payments
- \$145,000 on Town projects funded by CPA
- \$35,000 in debt on Town projects funded by lease income
- \$243,200 in free cash, redirected prior appropriations or other general funds.

The Committee thanks the Town departments and both capital project building committees for their assistance and input.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Orcutt (Finance Committee)

Sue Hruby (At-Large)

Kathy Logue (Treasurer)

Dick Mezger (At-Large)

Michael Colaneri (Assessors)

Cynthia Mitchell (Selectmen)

Leah Smith (Planning Board)

Bruce Stone (Town Accountant, Ex-Officio)



**FY2015 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROJECTED CAPITAL PROGRAM FY2016-2019**

Department	Capital Item	Total Amount	Priority	Funding Method (1)	Voted FY2014	Proposed FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	PAYOFF
<b>Projected Capital Program:</b>											
Cemetery	Replace Cemetery Fence	75,000	1	CPA		75,000					
Fire	Fire Trucks	\$425,000	1	Taxes	70,000	70,000	140,000	140,000	100,000	100,000	
Fire	Generator for Station 1	30,000	1	Taxes	30,000						
Highway (2)	Highway Repair/Maintenance	Ongoing	2	Taxes			30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	
Library	Complete building expansion	40,000	1	Taxes		40,000					
Mill Pond	Dredge Permitting and Design	50,000	3	CPA		30,000					
MVRHS	Admin. Bldg. Design	173,075	1	Taxes	31,976						
Police	Vehicles	Ongoing	1	Taxes	32,100	33,200	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000	
Town Buildings (2)	Town Building Maintenance	Ongoing	2	Taxes		25,000	25,000	25,000	50,000	50,000	
Tri Town Ambulance (3)	Ambulance (WT 1/3 share)	Ongoing	2	Taxes	0	0	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	
<b>Existing Projects:</b>											
Chilmark School (4)	Construction	338,500	1	Reg. Assess	22,461	21,569	20,663	19,744	18,826	16,933	2019
Field Gallery (5)	Land & building acquired	625,000	1	Bond & CPA	67,920	66,688	65,456	24,420			2017
Highway	Road resurfacing	2,588,800	1	Bond/St. Grant	75,869	207,283	204,083	200,883	197,683	194,483	2028
Lambert's Cove	Land acquired	325,000	1	Bond	31,650	30,563					2015
Library	Expand building	1,500,000	1	Bond	35,884	133,275	131,275	129,275	127,275	125,275	2035
MVRHS (1994) (4)	Constr./Expansion & Buses	\$3,245,600	1	Reg. Assess	8,750	0					2014
MVRHS (2013) (4)	Roof/Exterior Repairs	304,000	1	Reg. Assess	4,320	37,440	36,576	35,712	34,848	33,984	2024
Police	New station	2,495,000	1	Taxes/Bond	37,425	199,600	195,858	192,115	188,373	184,630	2035
Public Safety Bldg.	Construction	1,745,355	1	Bond	158,250	152,813					2015
Town Hall	Construction/Expansion	4,450,000	1	Bond	342,506	337,806	332,813	327,525	321,944	315,481	2028
WT School (1995) (4)	1995 Expansion	5,274,400	1	Reg. Assess	100,953	(236,921)					2014
WT School (2011)	Repair/renovate exterior	1,200,000	1	Reg. Assess	142,050	139,650	137,250	134,850	132,450	130,050	2022
<b>Total</b>					<b>1,192,114</b>	<b>1,362,965</b>	<b>1,370,973</b>	<b>1,311,524</b>	<b>1,253,598</b>	<b>1,232,836</b>	

(1) For projects that are funded by a bond issue, note that the cost/fiscal year includes interest as well as principal on the debt service payments.

The actual cost of issuing the bond is NOT included.

(2) Two Stabilization Funds were authorized in April 2013, to begin funding ongoing repairs/maintenance of town buildings and roads, as major construction/renovation projects were nearing completion.

(3) \$39,000 was withdrawn from the funds previously set aside in the Ambulance Stabilization Fund, for the purchase of a new ambulance in FY 2014; funds are already set aside for a FY 2016 purchase

(4) School debt assessments are tied to percentage enrolled per town, so these figures will fluctuate annually with enrollment; the total amounts shown are that portion (approx.) of the total that the Town of West Tisbury will be assessed over the life of the bond. The final year for West Tisbury School reflects state reimbursement funds lagging behind debt payoff.

(5) The Field Gallery purchase was funded with a combination of CPA funds in hand, together with borrowed funds that will be fully reimbursed by future annual CPA appropriations and lease income.



## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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To the Voters and Taxpayers:

The West Tisbury Cemeteries have looked as lovely and well maintained as ever this year. We would like to thank the Cemetery Superintendent John Alley and his Assistant Glenn Hearn, The Highway Department headed by Richard Olsen and his Assistants Jessie Oliver and Lynn Merry and Maciel Land and Tree for their dedicated hard work. Special thanks to Breezy Pines Landscaping for the excellent job mowing this year.

The Board of Selectmen voted to apply to the Community Preservation Committee for funds to replace/restore the fence around the West Tisbury Cemetery. If the application is approved by voters, the project may be underway by late spring.

There were eight burials and the town sold five cemetery lots in 2013.

Respectfully submitted:

J. Skipper Manter, Chair  
Richard Knabel  
Cynthia E. Mitchell  
Cemetery Commissioners



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Nancy Luce

## REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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At Annual Town Meeting in 2005, the Town voted to adopt the provisions of the Community Preservation Act (CPA), which establishes a nine member Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to receive applications for funding and make recommendations to the Town. CPA funds are derived from a 3% surcharge on real estate taxes, supplemented annually by state funds from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund. The supplement was 100% of the surcharge in FY2007 and FY2008, 94% in FY2009, 55% in FY2010 and 44% in FY2011 and FY2012. The passage of Chapter 139, sections 69-83 of the Acts of 2012, *An Act to Sustain Community Preservation*, added \$25 million to the statewide CPA Trust Fund for FY2013. This increased the West Tisbury FY2013 supplement to 84%. The additional funding will be available to the town for projects during the fall 2014 application period. CPA funds may be used to support the preservation or restoration of historic resources, the creation and support of community housing, and the acquisition or preservation of open space, including recreational use.

Information about the CPC and the projects currently under consideration is available on the Town website, [http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov/CPC/index\\_cpc.html](http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov/CPC/index_cpc.html). The Community Preservation Plan, Application for Eligibility, and Application for Funding are accessible from the website. The CPC invites applications for CPA funds for projects in any of the categories listed above at any time during the year, and urges potential applicants to attend its meetings or to contact its members.

In FY 2013, the CPC received 12 applications of which 4 were withdrawn and 1 was deferred. On the basis of public input and its own evaluation, the CPC recommended the remaining 7 projects for funding on the Warrant for Annual Town Meeting in April 2013; 5 of them of them were approved by the voters, in addition to continuing support for debt service on the Town Hall bond issue and the Maley/Field Gallery Purchase. 1 article which did not pass at the Annual Town Meeting was approved by voters at the Fall Special Town meeting along with 1 article funding an additional project.

- Town Hall renovation, support for bond issue, \$100,000 per year for five years (continuing from 2007).
- Maley/Field Gallery Purchase, debt service, \$40,000 per year for 4 years (continuing from 2011).
- Sepiessa Rental Apartments-Phase II-Island Housing Trust- \$242,000
- West Tisbury renovation of the Gretchen Memorial Ball field-Park and Recreation Dept. -\$12,000

- Preservation of Town Records-Town Clerk and Treasurer-\$5,000
- West Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust-Trust Fund- \$50,000
- Dukes County Regional Housing Authority-Rental Assistance- \$58,000
- Dukes County Courthouse Windows Repair-Dukes County- \$10,808
- West Tisbury Library Storage for Historical Documents- \$7,443

CPA uncommitted fund reserves totaled \$560,716 as of July 1, 2013 (not including the additional funding which will become available for use in the fall).

In FY 2014, the CPC received 15 applications, 1 of which was deemed to be ineligible, 1 that was withdrawn and 2 which were denied. The remaining 11 proposals will be considered for recommendation to the Town during January 2014.

The CPC welcomes comments, suggestions, and new proposals from all residents of West Tisbury during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean Conley, Historic District Commission  
 Lesley Eaton, Member at Large  
 Glenn Hearn, Affordable Housing  
 Bea Phear, Planning Board  
 Dale Julier, Dukes County Regional Housing Authority  
 Cheryl Lowe, Parks and Recreation Committee  
 Gary Montrowl, Finance Committee  
 Peter Rodegast, Conservation Commission  
 Scott Stearns, Member at Large  
 (The Chair rotates periodically)

## **REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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To The Board of Selectmen:

In 2013 the Conservation Commission had a productive year, processing applications, conducting site visits and holding public hearings, resulting in the issuance of the determinations of jurisdiction and permits called Orders of Condition, listed below.

### **Orders of Condition**

Map 1 Lot 2/SE79-340 (Herget/renovation/addition)  
Map 1 Lot 44.4/SE79-341 (Riedl/addition/septic upgrade)  
Map 3 Lot 85 (SE79-343 (Murray/addition)  
Map 3 Lot 85.2/SE79-336 (Watson/addition)  
Map 7 Lot 7.2/SE79-337 (LCR Nominee Trust/pool)  
Map 11 Lot 109/SE79-34 (Nation/driveway/utilities)  
Map 12 Lot 44/WT2013/1 (Daniels/Pool)  
Map 23 Lot 3.1/SE79-332 (JMMoulton Realty Trust/barn renovation)  
Map 32 Lot 48/SE79-339 (Brooks/pool replacement)  
Map 35 Lot 6.3/SE79-331 (Meyer/Segal/Boardwalk/Dock)  
Map 35 Lot 6.133/SE79-342 (Kaufman/dock replacement)  
Map 39 Lot 10 & 11/SE79-339 (Endofthedirtroad, LLC/coastal bank stabilization/withdrawn)  
Map 39 Lot 11/SE79-344(Endofthedirtroad, LLC/coastal bank stabilization)  
State Road//SE79-331 (MADOT/State Road bridge)  
Tisbury Great Pond /SE79-335(TNC/oyster propagation)

### **Amendments to Orders of Condition**

None

### **Extension Permits**

Map 6 Lot 8 /SE79-307 (Milton Estates/cottage)

### **Certificates of Compliance**

Map 1 Lot 17/SE79-323)/Street/Goodwin/garage  
Map 3 Lot 38/SE79-319  
Map 3 Lot 66.4/SE79-111  
Map 22 Lot 2.2/ SE79-321  
Map 32 Lot 89/SE79-79 (Maley fire pond)  
Map 35 Lot 6.133/SE79-145(Kaufman/original dock)  
Map 35 Lot 6.3/SE79-131 (Meyer/House)  
Map 35 Lot 6.3/SE79-154 (Meyer/view clearing)  
Map 38 Lot 8/ SE79-280

#### **Determinations of Applicability**

Map 1 Lot 23 (Falcon Properties/withdrawn)  
Map 3 Lot 81(Duarte's Pond/Withdrawn)  
Map 7 Lot 37 (Montague/Septic upgrade)  
Map 7 Lot 122 (Newman/Septic upgrade)  
Map 25 (Town/Scotchman's Lane)  
Map 32 Lot 9 (Chinard/Septic upgrade)  
Map 32 Lot 48 (Horwitz/septic upgrade)

#### **Conservation Restrictions**

None

#### **Emergency Certifications**

None

#### **Violations**

Map 1 Lot 14 (unauthorized clearing / Buffer Zone)  
Map 1 Lot 46 (unauthorized clearing/BVW)  
Map 3 Lot 65.2 9 (unauthorized clearing/Buffer Zone)

#### **Enforcement Orders**

None

#### **Appeals**

Map 39 Lots 10 & 11 Endofthedirtroad,  
LLC v WTCC DUCV2010-0035-Ongoing litigation

#### **Projects**

The commission worked the Board of Health, Highway Department and Parks & Recreation to identify sources of runoff into Seth's Pond from Lambert's Cove Road. Through this collaborative effort, the highway department was able to work with property owners to direct driveway runoff away from the road.

In October, the culvert that diverts water from the Mill Pond to Factory Brook for the fire pond was repaired by John Keene under Kent Healy's supervision. Thank you to Kent and John for their efforts on behalf of the Town.

In November the Commission hosted a workshop for island conservation commissions and landscapers on vista pruning and invasive species. The workshop was offered through the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commission's Rent-an-Expert program.

#### **Members**

If you are interested in joining the Commission you are welcome to come to a meeting or contact our Administrator for more information. Many thanks to

Tom Della Rocco who resigned in 2013. Welcome to Nate Morgan who recently moved to Town and joined the Commission.

The Commission office also fielded numerous calls concerning jurisdiction over a variety of minor projects in the Buffer Zone and monitored the progress of ongoing or under construction projects.

The Commission will continue to hear applications under the Wetlands Protection Act and the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw during regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 5:00 P.M. Our meetings are held in the Selectmen's meeting room on the second floor of Town Hall and are open to all. We welcome your presence and your participation.

Peter Rodegast, Chair  
Tara Whiting, Vice-Chair  
Prudy Burt,  
Whit Griswold  
Nate Morgan  
Binnie Ravitch



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Bird Hunter

## **REPORT OF THE DATA PROCESSING DEPARTMENT**

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During FY 2013 we continued with our goal to keep both our hardware and software, including web-based applications and the town web page, well maintained and up to date. We do this within our annual budget so that our costs to the taxpayers are as constant as possible from year to year. Major accomplishments included:

- Upgrading the second server to a virtual server for maximum flexibility and defense against hardware failures, and so that it was capable of supporting increased demand for attached documents and photos, particularly in the permitting and assessing software packages.
- Upgrading/replacement of 4-5 workstations and peripherals such as printers and monitors.
- Planning for and funding the first stage of installing conduit for connecting the new Library, the Howes House, and the Town Hall via fiber optic cable. This will allow for better sharing of the Town's IT resources between these buildings/departments as well as improved backup and redundancy for disaster planning purposes.

Every year, more information is available online from the town's website: [www.westtisbury-ma.gov](http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov). The Town Clerk has made the agendas and minutes of the various town committee and board meetings available both from the town website, or directly at the following website, where you can subscribe to notices of any meetings you are interested in:  
<http://www.mytowngovernment.org/02575>

The Assessors' information on each parcel of land, including GIS maps and building photographs, is available via their page on the website or directly at [http://www.caigisonline.com/West\\_TisburyMA/](http://www.caigisonline.com/West_TisburyMA/).

The Local Historical Commission's inventory of historic properties in town can now be reviewed along with other historic properties from all over the Commonwealth. A link and tutorial are available from their page on the town website or directly at <http://mhc-macris.net/>.

We thank you for your support of our ongoing efforts to keep the town up to date.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Logue & Bruce K. Stone  
Data Processing Department

## **REPORT OF THE DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority is publically chartered and locally funded to assist the towns of Dukes County to increase community housing opportunities. The Housing Authority collaborates with town committees, island organizations, local businesses and concerned individuals to provide year-round rentals and rental assistance, homebuyer training and lottery support, waitlist management, monitoring assistance and advocacy and planning for new housing options and support.

The Housing Authority's current management of 71 units of rental housing on 12 properties in 5 towns is increasing with the addition of a 6 unit rental property purchased by the Trust in Vineyard Haven and 3 new units under construction at the Sepiessa Point property in West Tisbury. Additional rental properties are in active development in Tisbury, West Tisbury and Edgartown. The Housing Authority continues administration of West Tisbury's 44 Accessory Apartments; maintains a Rental Housing Waitlist numbering 245 applicants; and partners with other organizations that offer assistance with rent, utilities and apartment rehabilitation to Island renters and their landlords.

The Towns continue to utilize the Housing Authority to administer Rental Assistance funded through the Community Preservation Act and used by 80 working households island-wide who can pay at least half of a fair market rental. This assistance helps address the needs of households making less than half of the county's median income which leaves significant unmet island need at very low and fixed incomes. Any future funding is subject to each town's annual decision making process and the Housing Authority provides the usage, need and cost data necessary for thorough town deliberation of this important source of support.

2013 saw the completion of a comprehensive Housing Needs Assessment shepherded by the Martha's Vineyard Commission, town and Housing Authority representatives that drew particular attention to the need for rentals and supports for residents with lower incomes, seniors, persons with disabilities and the homeless. This important effort dovetailed with the Healthy Aging initiative by the MV Donors Collaborative which is underscoring the growing number of island seniors and their needs including a reasonably housed workforce able to attend to our elders over the coming decades.

The Housing Authority's support of affordable homeownership in 2013 included assistance with the Island Housing Trust's lottery of homes at Wentworth Way for the Town of Tisbury and at 619 Edgartown Road for the town of West Tisbury, including assistance with lottery criteria, marketing,



participant certification and Homebuyer Education. We also served as affordability monitor on 4 property refinances, 2 re-sales and 3 special permitted ownership opportunities; facilitated 20 referrals through Edgartown's Demolition Delay by-law; and maintained the Island Affordable Homebuyer Clearinghouse numbering 306 households to publicize homebuyer opportunities and the Martha's Vineyard Subsidized Housing Inventory to assist in assuring future protection of existing affordability restrictions.

The Housing Authority manages the Vineyard Housing Office on State Road in Vineyard Haven as a clearinghouse for rental and homeownership opportunities and a focus for islanders working together on housing issues. The VHO currently is home to the Housing Authority, the Island Housing Trust and Habitat for Humanity of Martha's Vineyard, all of which have focused efforts with local and state representatives on leveraging the significant island investment in community housing to attract greater use of state and federal resources to the provision of the opportunities and supports needed to preserve community life on Martha's Vineyard.

The DCRHA Board of Directors & Staff:

Todd Christy; Chair, *At-Large*  
Ernie Mendenhall; *West Tisbury*  
Harvey Beth; *Oak Bluffs*  
Dan Seidman; *Tisbury*  
Melissa Norton Vincent; *Edgartown*  
Richard Skidmore; *Aquinnah*  
Ann Wallace; *Chilmark*

David Vigneault; Executive Director  
Terri Keech; Administrator  
Barbara Hoffman; Administrative Coordinator

## REPORT OF THE ELDER SERVICES OF CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS INC.

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Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands was founded in 1972 as a private, not-for-profit, community-based organization dedicated to promoting the welfare, enhancing the quality of life, and maintaining the dignity of older citizens in Barnstable, Nantucket and Dukes counties

Elder Services continues to successfully obtain federal and state funding; in FY13 funds were used to purchase services for Island seniors as follows:

During the fiscal year ending June 2013; Our Nutrition Program ordered 38,580 meals from Martha's Vineyard Hospital (\$289,753) of which 30,651 were delivered to 205 Meals on Wheels participants and 7,929 meals were served to 232 seniors attending our Senior Dining Programs located in Tisbury, Oak Bluffs and Up Island senior centers and the Martha's Vineyard Center for Living Supportive Day Program.

Our Home Care Program provided support services to help 174 elders remain safely in the community; necessary services were purchased from local service providers: **(\$618,429)**.

- 85 Elders received 6,236 hours of Personal Care Assistance.
- 156 Elders received 11,144 hours of Homemaker Services.
- 80 Elders received Housekeeping and Laundry Services.
- 9 Elders received 593 days of Supportive Day Care.
- 47 Elders received Personal Emergency Response Systems.
- 8 Elders received Nursing Services

Additionally, local organizations were awarded Older Americans Act funds to provide community services.

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living (Medical Transportation) **\$6,000**.

Martha's Vineyard Community Services (Caregivers Support Group) **\$5,000**.

Vineyard Health Care Access Program (Seniors Assistance Program) **\$7,500**.

A complete list of publically funded programs administered by Elder Services is attached to this report.

Elder Services uses federal, state, town and private funds to provide services and maintain programs. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of the Councils on Aging and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We appreciate the value of the community support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively with local resources to meet the challenges of the future.

### PROGRAMS and SERVICES

Information & Referral: A central source of information on all services available to older adults on Cape Cod and the Islands as well as the entry point for referrals to Elder Services' many programs. Call 800-244-4630, 508-693-4393, or visit our website at [www.escci.org](http://www.escci.org)

Protective Services: Help is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week for anyone over the age of sixty who has been abused, neglected, financially exploited, or is at risk of harm due to self-neglect.

Home Care Program: Services are provided to help an elder remain safely in the community; Care Managers will assess the needs, develop a service plan, and arrange for supports. To qualify, individuals must be sixty or older, meet financial eligibility guidelines, and have specific unmet care needs.

Senior Nutrition Program: Senior Dining Centers are located at Tisbury, Oak Bluffs and Up-Island Senior Centers; Meals on Wheels are delivered in every town for any elder who is homebound.

Family Caregiver Support Program: Provides education, advocacy, and connections to community resources that will enable the caregiver to better care for their loved ones as well as themselves.

Money Management Program: Volunteers, trained and certified, meet with elders in their homes to help them balance their checkbooks, pay bills, and other routine financial management tasks.

Mature Workers Program: Provides training and part-time employment to individuals fifty-five and older.

Senior Service Corps: A corps of volunteers who enhance the community by participating in a wide variety of service activities.

Options Counseling: Provides information and short-term counseling to assist consumers (elder aged 60 and older or individuals over the age of 18 with any disability) in making informed choices about long term care services, supports and settings.

Long Term Care Ombudsman Program: Residents of nursing and rest homes can depend on the Ombudsman Program to protect their rights and ensure good care. Ombudsmen are trained and certified advocates with the authority to make weekly unannounced visits to facilities to monitor the condition of the home and meet with residents to discuss any concerns they might have about the quality of their care. The Ombudsman Program is a central source of information for family members wanting to learn more about long term care resources.

Long Term Care Screening: Registered nurses assess an individual's health and functional abilities in order to determine medical eligibility for Medicaid funding of nursing home care.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacque Cage, MV Director

## **REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY ENERGY COMMITTEE**

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The energy committee seeks to enhance the ability of the Town and its residents to shape their energy future through conservation and the introduction of alternative energy technologies. The intent is not only to minimize costs, but to reduce dependency on environmentally degrading fuels. The committee focuses on methods to develop and implement a clear, comprehensive energy program for our town and, in concert with other groups, for the Island.

In 2013 Committee efforts were directed, principally, towards three particular projects: implementation of a Green Communities Grant, addressing the approval process for construction of a solar array at the town land fill, and facilitating the installation of LED fixtures for town street illumination.

### **Green Communities Grant Funds:**

During the past year four municipal building energy audits were carried out under the auspices of Cape Light Compact. The audits identified approximately \$90K of energy improvements to town buildings that might be funded through the State DOER and CLC. These, suggested projects are currently being reviewed with the State agency to determine which will meet their criterion for funding. These projects would, conservatively, save the Town \$10K per year (12,000 KWH of electricity, 4200 gallons of oil and 500 gallons of propane). The savings would accrue from heating system replacements, window replacements, additional insulation, and lighting improvements. The Town began installing Idle Right instruments on new police vehicles in the past year. These devices minimize fuel consumption during long periods of engine idling. Two vehicles have been outfitted with this technology and are being monitored to determine its effectiveness. Should they prove efficacious, state funds will be used to equip each new cruiser as it is added to the fleet.

### **Solar Array:**

The Committee has worked, diligently to assist Broadway Electric Company and the Board Of Selectmen in their efforts to gain the permitting approval that will allow construction of a large photovoltaic array over the capped land fill which was once the town's dump. Should these efforts continue successfully this building project will be completed and producing electricity for West Tisbury's municipal buildings and its elementary school by mid 2014.

### **Street Light Conversion:**

The committee has worked with Cape Light Compact on a project that will replace all of the town's street lights with LED fixtures. The conversion will

be financed by CLC but requires that West Tisbury obtain ownership of the present, outmoded fixtures. It is expected that NSTAR, the current owner, will transfer these fixtures to the town for a nominal fee. Replacement of the current lamps with those incorporating the newer, LED technology is anticipated to produce an annual savings of from 30 to 60 percent for the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Hruby,  
Sander Shapiro,  
Margaret Skinner



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The Grange

## **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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To the Town of West Tisbury:

The West Tisbury Finance Committee has been working diligently all year, but particularly through the months of January-March when we reviewed the budgets presented to us by each town department or other commissions and multi-town agencies. This year we continued to streamline the process so that budgets which were level funded were approved quickly and without the added burden of attending a hearing.

We hope our recommendations on the Budget will be helpful to you as you consider whether to approve or disapprove the warrant articles presented to you this evening.

The proposed budget for FY 2015 is projected to be 7.4% above the current year budget. Some of the increases had been anticipated because of new debt service. For e.g., the Library construction project had been accelerated to take advantage of the available state grant of nearly \$3 million, but this timing caused its debt to come on schedule a year before the original debt for the Public Safety Building was retired. We did not anticipate the approximately 7% increase in the town's assessment for the Up Island Regional School District. (This increase was driven by extraordinary special needs increases in the superintendent's shared services budget and off-Island residential placements.) Other significant increases are projected for the library as it returns to a new, much larger space and resumes its normal operations. There are significant increases in fire, police and building inspection budgets. And we continue to set aside appropriate sums for unfunded retiree health insurance liability.

Our committee was saddened by the passing of member Jonathan Revere in January 2014. Jonathan was an energetic member of the committee (and the West Tisbury Community) who was dedicated to the transparency of government deliberations. To that end, Jonathan made sure our budget deliberations were televised via community television and always strove to see between the lines of "bureau-speak." His presence on the Fin-Com will be missed and we extend our condolences to his family and wide circle of friends.

Once again, our thanks to Lindsay Miner our Administrative Assistant, and Bruce Stone, our Town Accountant and Kathy Logue, our Treasurer, whose financial reports and information keep us regularly and well informed about town finances.

Katherine Triantafillou, Chair  
Gary Montrowl, Vice-Chair  
Sharon Estrella  
Greg Orcutt

## REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Donation from the Fireman's Civic Association

To the Board of Selectman:

This year I would like to start off by thanking my Asst. Chief James Branch for his many years of service to the department. He retired January first. Also to Fireman Bob Hennessey for all the work he does around the station and for lighting the Christmas tree.

I am asking for your support for a stipend increase of \$500.00 for all firefighters this year. Right now they get \$1,000.00 a year which averages out to about \$5.00 an hour for all the time they put in. The last increase for them was 8 years ago. Also I would like to thank all the people in town hall.

Fire & Carbon Monoxide Alarms .....	114
Miscellaneous Calls & Administration Work .....	324
Illegal Burning .....	9
Bush Fire .....	1
Mutual Aid .....	6
Smoke Investigations .....	3
Rescue Calls .....	19
Gas Alarms .....	2
Manning the Station for Storms .....	2
Horse Rescue .....	1
Fuel Tank Leak .....	1
Elevator Cal .....	1
Shed Fires .....	2
Smoke in Building .....	2
Fuel Tank Inspections for Trucks .....	6
Oil Burner Inspections .....	10
Oil Tank Inspections .....	8
Car Accidents .....	18
Chimney Fires .....	1
Electrical Fires .....	2
First Responder Calls .....	3
Car Fires .....	1
Stove Fires .....	1
Pole Fires .....	1
Stand By Station .....	2
Oil Spills .....	1
Porch Fires .....	1
Oil Tank Inspections .....	8
Oil tank Removals .....	2
Burning Permits .....	172
L.P. Gas Inspections .....	105
Smoke & Carbon Inspections .....	95

Respectfully submitted

Chief Manuel Estrella III



## REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Last year ended with a ceremonial ground breaking. 2013 began with the actual start of construction. Throughout the year everyone riding through town was able to see the progress that was being made. At times progress seemed slow as we watched and waited. The construction fence made it difficult to see anything happening beyond the front of the building. The view from the bench on Alley's porch was perfect for West Tisbury's many sidewalk superintendents.

The library's temporary quarters were small. It worked quite well during the winter season but summer found things a bit crowded. However, the friendly and helpful staff kept things running smoothly. Something else that helped was the fact that the library had started CLAMS (Cape Libraries Automated Materials Sharing) in January. The staff had taken classes and was able to help patrons and show them how to order books on the website; therefore allowing patrons to stop in, pick up the book they had ordered and not have to browse in the small space available. This made things easier for everyone, particularly in the summer.

The following is a quote from Beth Kramer, our Director: *"This year was all about developing partnerships and collaborating. Our tiny space encouraged us to branch out and bring the services that we had to offer to the wider community"*.

- Nelia Decker and Amy Hoff brought the Mother Goose on the Loose program to the Oak Bluffs and Vineyard Haven libraries.
- Nelia Decker visited school aged children at the Charter School and the West Tisbury School.
- Staff visits to Windemere every other week.
- Summer Reading Kickoff at the Agricultural Hall *"Dig into Reading"*.
- Annual Halloween Party held at the Grange.
- Troubadour event at the Katharine Cornell Theatre.
- An Evening with Jorie Graham & Fanny Howe at the M.V. Film Society.

### **Grants and Classes**

- Amy Hoff won the Christine Rose Scholarship and attended an online course from Simmons.
- Laura Coit and Amy took the MBLC BLT (Basic Library Techniques) course.
- Grant from the Begeary Trust in honor of Judith Morse for Children's Programming.
- A Grant from the Permanent Endowment to purchase student guitars for a free beginners' guitar class taught by Steve Maxner.

- Comcast award of \$10,000 for Staff Training.
- Laura and Amy attended New England Library Association conference in Portland, ME.
- Amy attended training for a Yoga-based storytime to be introduced after the new building opens.

### **Friends of the West Tisbury Library**

The Friends book sale in July was as usual a huge success. Volunteers work year round, many times in less than excellent conditions sorting books and getting ready for the weekend event. In the new library there will be a comfortable heated and air conditioned space for them to do their book sorting. This year their grand total from the book sale was \$19,433.35. Recently, in addition to all the other good things the Friends supply to the library, the Friends deposited with the Town \$25,000.00 to be used for furniture in the newly renovated library.

### **West Tisbury Library Foundation**

This young and enthusiastic group has done an amazing job with their fundraising for the library. A check for \$351,068.00 was presented to the Town in November as fulfillment of their commitment to raise nearly \$1.8M in private funding for the library's expansion project. They continue to raise funds for landscaping and furniture. In addition to one on one contact for fundraising and informative newsletters, the Foundation also developed partnerships and collaborated with outside organizations in their fund raising efforts this past year:

- M.V. Film Society
  - Richard North Patterson book talk
  - Jill Shaw Ruddock
- Speakeasy Series hosted by State Road Restaurant
  - Judith Hannan discussing her new book
- Granary Gallery also hosted Speakeasy Series
  - Amor Towles
- *'Tuesday's at Twilight'* at the Grange
  - Dana Banana family show
  - Ben and Sally Taylor

### **Building Committee**

In January 2013, the building committee began weekly construction meetings which still continue into 2014. This dedicated group of eight (Max Skjoldebrand joined the 7 member committee as an alternate early in the year) has worked well together and has members experienced in construction, finance, and architecture who have closely watched the construction process. Many of the suggestions of this committee to the architects and contractors have made for a better building.

### **Landscape Committee**

Early in the process, the building committee set up a landscape sub-committee to work out the various landscaping venues – gardens, plantings,

bioswales, paths and sidewalks. Since early in the process the committee has been working with Tim Boland, Executive Director of the Polly Hill Arboretum; Cheryl Doble, landscape architect; Lil Province, landscape designer; and the Nature Conservancy on many of the garden areas, but particularly the conservation area on the eastern side of the lot. In late August a draft proposal for the conservation area was presented to the Conservation Commission with a final plan to be presented early in 2014. These professionals have been extremely helpful to our landscaping plans providing us with expert knowledge that the other members of the committee do not have.

#### **The New Building**

As 2013 ended we were nearly there. The finish carpentry work was underway, most of the painting was complete, and cabinets were being installed. Still to be completed were the floors, the bathrooms and various other finish work inside and outside. Throughout the year Leah Smith, Building Committee Chairman, has attended to the Selectmen's meeting monthly to update them on the project. In early December they visited the building to view the progress.

We cannot thank everyone enough for the support that has been given during this building process – Library Director Beth Kramer, staff, Friends, Foundation, Building Committee, patrons, Town government, and donors. We also would like to thank Joyce Bowker, the staff and patrons of the Up-Island Council on Aging for their patience as the construction continued to disrupt their programs and parking.

#### **Looking Forward**

The building is expected to be completed in early February. It will take at least a month to move books from the Airport facility and from the North Tisbury temporary quarters. We hope to open to the public sometime in March. The majority of the landscaping will have to wait for spring and beyond until it is all finished and planted.

Amy Hoff was recently promoted to Assistant Librarian and will be responsible for library programs and the young adult (YA) area when the library reopens.

And, as a happy ending to this year, The Library Journal's LJ Index of Library Services has again, for the fifth year in a row, announced that the West Tisbury library is a 5-Star library.

Respectfully submitted,

Harvey Garneau, Treasurer  
Melissa Hackney  
Linda Hearn, Chair  
Virginia Jones  
Gina Solon, Clerk  
Daniel Waters, Vice Chair

## REPORT OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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The Commission was first established in 1982 and was expanded in 2000. The Annual Town Meeting approved the expansion by a majority of more than 66%. The Commission is in place in order to protect the historic homes in the District. The purpose of the Commission is not to freeze the “look” of the Historic District but simply to make sure that any changes are appropriate to the immediate neighborhood and to the surrounding homes.

Over the centuries most of the historic homes have been added onto and changed in some way and that is part of their charm. This past year we reviewed changes to several properties and approved them. We look forward to the finishing of the new library whose design we approved. I would like to thank all the Commissioners for all their time and dedication in serving the Town.

Yours, Sean Conley, Chair.

Nancy Dole

Annie Fisher

Ken Lieberman

Mark Mazer

Lanny McDowell

Ben Moore



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Peek Inn Tea House

## **REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING**

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### **Mission statement:**

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living provides services that promote dignity; self-worth, self-sufficiency and a life lived to its fullest potential.

The most recent census figures (2010) indicate that Dukes County is the second fastest growing county, and the fastest aging County in the Massachusetts. Between 2000 and 2010, the 60+ population here grew by nearly 50%. Of this population, the fastest growing age group is 80 – 90 year olds. Nationally, by 2050, the number of people over 65 will grow from 40 million (13%) to 89 million (20%) and up to 16 million will be diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

Locally, the way we address and plan for the needs of this growing population is critical. From transportation to health care, housing, information dissemination, education, and long term care (nursing and assisted living facilities). These issues not only affect the 60+ population, but the entire range of the population and the overall economy of Martha's Vineyard.

In the fall of 2013, The Dukes County Health Council engaged the Rural Scholars Program of the University of Massachusetts Medical School to study the current system of services for 60+ islanders and identify unmet needs and gaps in our service delivery. As a result of this comprehensive study, the Healthy Aging Task Force was established, under the Dukes County Health Council. This Task Force will address how Martha's Vineyard, as one community, can prepare for the social and fiscal challenges ahead to support and enhance the lives of our aging population.

### **Martha's Vineyard Center for Living programs and services:**

#### **Supportive Day Program:**

The Supportive Day Program (SDP) is a professionally run social program for individuals who would be at risk if left alone and are unable to participate in, or access the services offered through general Senior Center programming and activities. Of equal importance is the respite provided for families and caregivers. Many of the clients of the SDP suffer from various and sometimes multiple conditions and/or diseases, including Alzheimer's disease, but wish to and are being cared for at home. The program operates 4 days per week (Monday & Wednesday at the Anchors Senior Center in Edgartown; Tuesday and Friday at the Tisbury Senior Center) and includes nutritious meals and snacks, a wide range of engaging activities tailored to individual capacity, exercise programs and most importantly, loving, careful attention to individual

needs of our clients, on both a physical and emotional level. Transportation is available.

The Supportive Day Program continues to be stretched to the limits of space and staffing capacity. In 2013, 32 individuals, their families and caregivers were served; providing over 20,000 hours of quality care and respite for families and caregivers. At \$40 for full day and \$30 for half day attendance, this is a highly cost effective and affordable alternative to private in-home care and/or long term care (nursing home) costs. The Supportive Day program partners with families in the care of their loved ones at home; to extend and enhance that safe, nurturing environment into the community.

**Medical Taxi (transportation to off-Island medical appointments):**

In FY2013, the Medical Taxi program provided 168 Islanders (unduplicated) with transportation (842 one way trips) to medical appointments in Falmouth, North Falmouth, Mashpee, Sandwich, Yarmouth and Hyannis. This program was funded with a \$6,000 grant from Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands, \$5,000 from the Martha's Vineyard Hospital Community Health Initiative grant, and \$3,395 in donations from participants. Every year additional funding must be sought through community grants and donations in order to keep this vital program going. MV Center for Living provides management and administrative support. All grants and donations go toward the direct cost of this service. In addition, MVC4L collaborates with the Vineyard Transit Authority and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority link islanders with alternative transportation to medical appointments both on and off-island.

**Emergency Food Cupboard Program:**

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living is the designated island sponsor and lead member of the Greater Boston Food Bank Emergency Food Distribution Program on the island. As such MVC4L coordinates five designated "Emergency Food Cupboards" (four Senior Centers and the Serving Hands Pantry, located at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). On a monthly basis, each of the 5 sites orders a variety of nutritious foods from the Greater Boston Food Bank warehouse in Boston. MV Center for Living is responsible for coordinating the pick up and delivery of these shipments for distribution to needy islanders of all ages.

Island Food Products (IFP) picks up our orders every month at the Greater Boston Food Bank in one of their refrigerated trucks. Because of their generosity, we have been able to increase the amount and quality of the food we distribute. It is estimated that the value of the service that IFP provides to this program, in time, travel, personnel and equipment, is approximately \$21,600. In 2013, 65,188 pounds of food (canned, fresh and frozen) valued at \$64,024.70 was distributed through the emergency food program, serving an average of 200 households or approximately 250 individual islanders, including children and elders every month.

There is a great deal of other local support for this program. The Island Grown Initiative Gleaning program harvests and brings to each distribution site, fresh produce gleaned from local farms during the harvest season. In 2013 our local Stop & Shop stores have designated the Emergency Food Program as the recipient organization for their “Meat the Needs” program. At the end of each day, meats and meat products that are about to go past the sell date are frozen; IFP picks them up once a week and holds them in their freezer until they can be distributed along with the regular monthly distribution. In 2013, Stop & Shop donated a total of 683 pounds of meat. In addition, the Stop & Shop “Food for Friends Program” has donated their charity food boxes (an assortment of non-perishable items), which are sold twice a year, in July and November. In November 2013 we received 150 boxes which were a great supplement to what we received from the Greater Boston Food Bank for our holiday distributions in November and December. The Emergency Food Program will also receive 60% of the funds raised through the Stop & Shop paper turkey sales program. It is expected that this local support will continue in 2014 and beyond.

#### **55PLUS Times: Information and Referral**

The 55PLUS Times is a comprehensive resource with information pertaining to programs and services available to all 55+ Islanders and their families. It is published in the Martha’s Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month.

**Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living Online:** [www.mvcenter4living.org](http://www.mvcenter4living.org)  
This website provides an online resource for information about the services we provide. In addition, it provides an on-line local search capability with links to the “Network of Providers”; the many agencies on Martha’s Vineyard that provide a wide range of services to 55+ islanders.

#### **Older Americans Act:**

The Elder Services Nutrition Program, under the Older Americans Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers), is supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living budget. In FY2013, the towns on Martha’s Vineyard contributed a combined total of \$36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program. The demand for Nutrition Program services, in particular the Meals on Wheels program has increased greatly in recent years; as the census figures indicate, it is anticipated this trend will continue.

#### **Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School Luncheon Program:**

Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living coordinates with the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a three course gourmet meal for \$12 per person once a month in the Culinary Arts dining room at the High School. Students plan, prepare and serve the meal, and talented students from the Music Department provide entertainment. Between 30 and 40 seniors attend these events on a monthly basis. Proceeds go to the Culinary Arts Department.



**Home Delivered Holiday Meals:**

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living coordinates and provides funding for the home delivered holiday meal program, providing a home delivered meal to seniors who are alone and/or homebound on the Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter holidays. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages between 40 and 60 meals on each of these holidays. The local Councils on Aging coordinate the volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns.

**FEMA:**

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living is designated to receive and allocate, when available, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) funds that are earmarked to assist low-income seniors with overdue utility bills and rent or mortgage payments when all other resources have been exhausted. In FY13, under the National Emergency Food and Shelter Program Phase 30, we were allocated \$2744 and were able to assist 11 households, paying 12 past due rent and/or utility bills.

Through Martha's Vineyard Center for Living programs and services, 55+ islanders have benefited from the generous support, both financial and in spirit, of the town Boards of Selectmen, Finance Committees, Councils on Aging, other municipal agencies and the community at large. The on-going support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Clapp, Director



## REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of West Tisbury:

This report summarizes the 2013 activities of the Martha's Vineyard Commission for the Island as a whole and for West Tisbury.

In 2013, the MVC worked with Island towns to complete a Housing Needs Assessment, to identify how to reduce the high nitrogen levels that are damaging our coastal ponds, to draft regulations to reduce excessive use of nitrogen-based fertilizers, and to prepare a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan aimed at reducing future damage by preparing for storms and other natural disasters. It also worked on many other projects dealing with transportation, coastal planning, and community and economic development. Thirty five development projects were referred to the MVC for regulatory review.

The seventeen-member Commission is made up of nine Commissioners elected bi-annually to represent the public, and eight appointees – one each by the Governor, County Commission, and the six Vineyard Boards of Selectmen. The Commission is supported by a professional staff of ten. More detail is provided below and is available on the Commission's website: [www.mvcommission.org](http://www.mvcommission.org).

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### **ISLAND-WIDE PLANNING ACTIVITIES**

**Affordable Housing:** The MVC supports a variety of affordable housing efforts.

- **Housing Needs Assessment:** The MVC facilitated the preparation of a Housing Needs Assessment for Martha's Vineyard, working with consultant Karen Sunnarborg and a Study Committee made up of appointed representatives from each Island town, the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority, and the MVC. The assessment consists of:
  - Town and Island-Wide Profiles to quantify the greatest current and projected housing needs;
  - Organizational Capacity of existing housing organizations, projects, and programs; and
  - Recommendations for long term financially sustainable community housing policies, programs, and projects, to best leverage community assets and resources.

MVC staff presented the results of the Housing Needs Assessments to Town Boards of Selectmen, Affordable Housing Committees, and Planning Boards.

- **Community Development Block Grants:** The MVC assisted five towns' Boards of Selectmen with FY2014 Department of Housing and Community

Development's CDBG Applications by drafting Community Development Strategies. The MVC also worked with town administrators to gather supplemental materials and coordinate public hearings for FY2014 CDBG Applications (prepared by Bailey Boyd Associates). In its ten years, this program provided almost 18 million dollars of forgivable zero-interest loans to about 350 income-qualified homeowners for critical home renovations, and about 100 childcare subsidies.

**Coastal, Ocean, and Hazard Planning:** The MVC works with towns on planning coastal areas, ocean conservation and development and mitigating natural hazards that threaten the Island.

- **Sea-Level Rise and Climate Change:** MVC staff investigated impacts of sea-level rise and climate change. This included town-by-town vulnerability assessments mapping of the impacts of 1.5 and 5.0 foot rises in sea level and identifying the need to prepare for impacts, particularly to infrastructure. MVC staff prepared site-specific visualizations of the 1.5' and 5' projections, including flood conditions in familiar locations.
- **FIRM Maps:** MVC staff participated with FEMA staff and local stakeholders to update the FIRM maps associated with the National Flood Insurance program and to present the results to the public when the draft maps were released. MVC staff continues with outreach to prepare authorities and the public to incorporate the new maps, due to be adopted through the 2015 Town Meetings.
- **Hazard Management:** The MVC worked with the seven Dukes County emergency managers on an update of the Dukes County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan, which must be renewed to keep the towns eligible for FEMA funding of mitigation measures. The MVC created maps and a vulnerability assessment for all Island towns identifying hazards including sea-level rise, flooding, fire, and hurricane.
- **Ocean Advisory Commission:** The MVC Coastal Planner is the Governor's appointed representative for the MVC on the OAC, which is involved in the evolution of the Massachusetts Ocean Management Plan.
- **Bureau of Ocean Energy Management:** MVC staff reviewed and provided extensive comments on a number of complex matters concerning leasing on the Outer Continental Shelf.
- **No Discharge Designation:** MVC completed working with the towns and the Commonwealth to successfully secure federal No Discharge Designation for Vineyard waters.

**Community and Economic Development:** The Commission's mandate includes promoting a sound local economy and community character.

- **Downtown Revitalization:** MVC staff is assisting the Town of Oak Bluffs in a comprehensive Downtown Revitalization effort that started at the end of last year.
- **Community Planning:** MVC staff provided technical assistance to Chilmark in drafting a new residential bylaw to ensure that new buildings

harmonize with community character by requiring project review for large projects and setting upper floor space limits. Staff also provided technical assistance to Oak Bluffs with respect to drafting a Minimum Property Maintenance By-Law and to West Tisbury for its Master Plan revision.

- **ArtsMV:** MVC staff provided support to the Martha's Vineyard Arts and Culture Collaborative on a number of initiatives to help stimulate the Vineyard economy, especially in the off-season. The MVC was lead grant-writer in funding a two-year effort to make October's Fall for the Arts a permanent and important part of the Vineyard calendar of events, working in collaboration with the Martha's Vineyard, Cape Cod, and Nantucket Chambers of Commerce. Last year's successful festival was made up of a wide variety of activities including a Creative Economy Speaker Series. The MVC also assisted the Town of Tisbury in applying for state designation of the Vineyard Haven Harbor Cultural District.
- **Data Collection and Outreach:** The MVC provides the towns, business community and public with economic and demographic information from federal and state sources and with legislative updates and information about federal and state programs, grant opportunities, and workshops relating to economic development or tourism. Each year, MVC staff responds to more than 400 requests for economic and demographic information from town boards, businesses, individuals and non-profit organizations. The MVC also serves as an affiliate to the state's Data Center through the UMASS's Donahue Institute.
- **State and Federal Programs:** The MVC, the South Eastern Economic Development Corporation, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Cape and Islands Workforce Investment Board worked together to implement state Economic and Workforce Development Initiatives. MVC staff also worked with the Healthy Aging Task Force, including providing data supporting this effort. The MVC and Dukes County Commission hosted two workshops for town officials on funding opportunities: USDA's Rural Development Office's grant programs for economic development and affordable housing initiatives, and the state's Community Innovation Challenge and the Downtown Initiative grant programs.

**GIS:** The MVC geographic information systems staff provides spatial analysis and cartographic production to aid MVC and town planning efforts, including custom cartographic services to towns, organizations, and individuals.

- **Data Updates and Distribution:** The MVC maintains and continuously updates a county-wide GIS data warehouse and provides data to towns, consulting groups working on town projects, academics conducting research, state agencies, and local residents. Some of the regional data updated last year included town zoning and overlay zones, road codes, and structure footprints with year-built information. Deer population density maps were produced for Island Boards of Health and shared at a Lyme Disease public information session. MassGIS contracted with the MVC to

continue the State's efforts at establishing a database of unique addresses for all structures within the state, to assist emergency responders.

- **GIS/Mapping Software Installation, Training, and Support:** MVC staff provided technical support for the County's Island-wide GIS software contract, including installation of a basic dataset. All Island towns and the MVC are partners in this agreement providing unlimited GIS software licensing at a fixed fee. Technical support to towns included software installs, on-site training, twice-monthly GIS how-to sessions, and technical support via phone and email.

**Transportation:** The MVC is responsible for transportation planning on the Vineyard, in association with the Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

- **Joint Transportation Committee:** The Commission facilitates the JTC, made up of appointees from each town and the County, to coordinate transportation planning.
- **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Projects:** A construction contract was awarded for the \$38 million Lagoon Pond Drawbridge project, for which the MVC facilitated the design committee, and construction is underway. The Vineyard gets annual federal and state funding for transportation improvement projects, coordinated and scheduled by the JTC. Construction on the Oak Bluffs roundabout was complete enough for summer 2013 operations, with the final paving and landscaping wrapped up last fall. The MVC worked with the Town of West Tisbury and MassDOT on the design of the next TIP-funded project, the realignment of the intersection of State Road and Old County Road.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee:** MVC staffs an advisory committee to the JTC and the wider community on bicycling and pedestrian matters. Staff and the committee worked closely with local Mass in Motion initiatives involving Safe Routes to School. The committee provided input for prioritizing resurfacing improvements to the State Forest's shared use paths. MassBike personnel were brought to the Island to review the state bicycle law with police chiefs. MassBike also facilitated sessions with the advisory committee examining how the committee might be reconstituted to be more effective.
- **Trails Planning:** A portion of the MVC Senior Planner's time is contracted with the Land Bank to work with towns and landowners to protect and extend the Island's trail network.
- **Data Collection:** During 2013, the MVC conducted automatic traffic recording counts at 47 locations including 10 on Shared Use Paths, and performed 20 Turning Movement Counts. Staff conducted extensive parking and circulation surveys of downtown Vineyard Haven in anticipation of a future transportation study.

**Water Quality:** The Commission continued its scientific and community work helping to protect the Vineyard's water quality and especially our threatened coastal ponds.

- **Massachusetts Estuaries Project:** The Commonwealth's MEP carries out detailed modeling to indicate the extent of water quality problems in coastal ponds and help identify the most cost-effective way to solve them. The MVC provides extensive water-quality testing and land use data analysis as a basis for the MEP studies. Last year, the Commission compiled detailed land use data for Oyster Pond. The MVC also collected groundwater elevations for Katama Bay, Pocha Pond, Cape Pogue, Squibnocket, Menemsha, and the Upper and Lower Chilmark Pond watersheds. MVC staff compiled parcel data on land use (zoning, year-round versus seasonal use, number of buildings, tie-ins to town water and sewers, water usage, number of potential future buildings). The MEP presented its final report for Oak Bluffs Harbor and Tisbury Great Pond. MVC staff worked with the joint Sengekontacket Pond Committee, the Lagoon Pond Committee, and the Tisbury Wastewater Committee to devise plans to address excess nitrogen.
- **Fertilizer Controls:** In early 2013 the MVC and towns were notified of the state legislature's impending statewide fertilizer regulations and a limited window of opportunity for the towns to enact local fertilizer regulations as a low-cost tool to combat excess nitrogen in Vineyard coastal ponds. Boards of health asked MVC staff with help in creating Vineyard-based regulations, required by the state to be adopted through the DCPC process. The Tisbury Board of Health Chairman and the MVC Senior Planner co-chaired a working group of 15 town and MVC officials, business people, and non-profit experts with an interest in water quality. They met intensively in the fall to draft Vineyard-base regulations of lawn fertilizer use that town Boards of Health will hold public hearings on in 2014.
- **Water Testing:** MVC staff took water samples of Katama, Pocha, Cape Pogue, Tisbury Great Pond, Oyster Pond, and Mill Brook, and assisted sampling of Edgartown Great and Chilmark Ponds.
- **Water Alliance and Associations:** The MVC Water Planner is an active participant in the Martha's Vineyard Water Alliance and all Island pond advisory committees.

#### **Energy and Environmental Issues**

- **Wind Energy:** The MVC, towns and Tribe are members of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management: Massachusetts Task Force providing input into the federal government's plans for developing large offshore wind farms south of the Vineyard. MVC staff reviewed and provided extensive comments on a number of complex matters concerning leasing on the Outer Continental Shelf.
- **Municipal Composting:** The MVC assisted the M.V. Refuse Disposal District in scoping and drafting a grant application to fund containerized composting at its facility to accommodate changing requirements for disposing of food waste.

**Collaboration:** The Commission facilitates collaboration on many fronts.

- **Education and Training:** The Commission hosted several courses and information sessions on topics of interest to town officials, the business

community, and members of the general public including *Creating a Master Plan*, *Stormwater Management*, and *Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) Updates*. MVC staff participated in the *Living Local* event and the state's *Fifth Annual Conference on Regionalization*.

- **Island Collaboration:** The MVC facilitates meetings of town boards and other organizations to foster exchange of information and collaboration, such as the Joint Affordable Housing Group and the Island Conservation Commissions.
- **Inter-Regional Collaboration:** As an active member of the Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Agencies, the MVC Executive Director meets monthly to discuss legislation and funding programs with senior Commonwealth officials, and to collaborate on many fronts.

#### **Regulatory Activities**

- **DRIs:** The Commission's review of Developments of Regional Impact generally results in considerable improvements to projects to mitigate their environmental, traffic, and other impacts. Last year, 35 projects were reviewed in some manner by the MVC, 10 were full DRIs reviewed with public hearings and approved with conditions (one of which was a Discretionary Referral that was accepted for DRI Review) and 1 was a full DRI that was denied. Six were minor modifications of existing DRI's that were approved and remanded back to their towns without DRI public hearing review, 1 was a project referred to the MVC for concurrence review that was sent back to the town without DRI public hearing review, 3 were previously approved DRI's returning to LUPC for approval of aspects of their plans, 1 project was granted an extension, 1 project was withdrawn before any decision was made, 3 were referred but were deemed by LUPC to not trigger the DRI Checklist and were sent back to their town and 1 was referred as a Discretionary Referral which was later withdrawn by the referring board. Two applications are on hold at the applicant's request and 6 are still under review.
- **DRI Checklist:** A revised DRI Checklist, which determines which projects are referred by towns to the MVC for review, went into effect in 2013, and was presented to each town Planning Board. An online interactive parcel map was produced that indicates which DRI trigger may be activated on a given parcel.
- **DCPCs:** Districts of Critical Planning Concern are designated by the Commission to afford additional protection to sensitive areas, supporting special town regulations. In 2013, the MVC continued in litigation regarding the Special Ways in Edgartown.

**Finances:** The Commission's FY2013 income was \$1,256,500, of which 65% came from town assessments, 32% from grants and contracts, and 3% from other sources. Expenses were \$1,280,939 of which 55% was for salaries, 25% for salary-related costs, 7% for legal fees, and 13% for other expenses. The annual audit by an independent auditor showed fiscal soundness. The budget and audited financial statements are on the website.

### **SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES FOR WEST TISBURY**

In addition to the efforts described above, assisting the whole Island or all of the towns including West Tisbury, the MVC undertook the following activities in West Tisbury.

#### **Affordable Housing and Economic Development**

- MVC staff provided a draft outline of goals and objectives as well as roles and responsibilities for the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee's review.
- Presented the MV Housing Needs Assessment to the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, and Affordable Housing Committee
- The MVC provided economic and demographic information to the Planning Board and Board of Health

#### **Geographic Information Systems**

- **Mapping:** MVC staff assisted the Planning Board with a variety of maps to aid planning efforts. Maps showing the Mill Pond area and aerial photographs were supplied to the Mill Pond working group.
- **Cemetery Mapping:** MVC staff completed mapping the cremation section of the Lambert's Cove cemetery using GPS to locate all headstones present in this area. This data was delivered to the Town's cemetery consultant for inclusion in their software deliverable to the Town of West Tisbury.
- **Software Support:** MVC staff provided ArcGIS software installation to the West Tisbury Town Hall.

#### **Coastal Management**

- **Middle Line Path:** MVC staff continued to support the Conservation Commission in defense of its denial of a project to armor coastal bank on the shore of Tisbury Great Pond and, in 2013, the Town prevailed in its defense.

#### **Transportation**

- **Data Collection:** The MVC conducted automatic traffic recording (ATR) counts at three locations in West Tisbury during 2013.
- **MVC Intern:** The MVC 2013 summer transportation intern was Nick Gross of West Tisbury.

#### **Water Quality**

- **Water Testing:** In cooperation with the West Tisbury Selectmen, Conservation Commission and the Riparian Owners Association, MVC staff carried out water sampling of the Tisbury Great Pond, collecting four rounds (24 samples) from July through November to assess changes in nitrogen concentration and salinity. This data will be used by the Massachusetts Estuaries Project (MEP) to determine the flushing characteristics of the system.
- **Massachusetts Estuaries Project:** The final report for the Tisbury Great Pond was completed and presented to town boards and members of the public in August.



- **Mill Brook:** The MVC worked with the Mill Brook Committee and the RFP Committee. Staff worked to develop a 604b proposal guideline for the Mill Brook Watershed. This stream is a major contributor of fresh water and the nutrients it carries to Tisbury Great Pond.

#### **Regulatory Activities**

- **DRI:** Of the 8 West Tisbury projects referred to the MVC in 2013, 2 were full DRI's approved with conditions (Verizon Cell Tower and Fuller Landscaping Containers); 1 was a minor modification remanded back to the Town without a public hearing (Plum Bush Point A.H. lot); 1 was a previously approved DRI returning to LUPC for approval of the landscape plan (Sepiessa Affordable Housing); 1 was withdrawn (Nagy Personalized Medicine at Hart Property); 3 were sent back to the Town because they did not trigger the DRI Checklist (ITT Cell Tower at Airport; Bick Bookbinding; and Nagy Personalized Medicine at Yoga Barn); and none were denied.

#### **Staff Liaison**

- Senior Planner Bill Veno is the main staff liaison with the West Tisbury Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Erik Hammarlund  
West Tisbury elected Member-at-large

Linda Sibley  
West Tisbury elected Member-at-large

Brian Smith  
Member appointed by the West Tisbury Board of Selectmen

Mark London  
Executive Director



## REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The mission of the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council is to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences for the purpose of improving the quality of life for all Island residents. Our grants may be modest in size, but their effects resound mightily through the Vineyard community.

Each year the Council meets on the first Sunday of November to vote on the distribution of grants for the current fiscal cycle. Grant applicants must be residents of the Commonwealth and at work on projects in the arts, humanities or interpretative sciences. Instructions, program guidelines and forms are available at [www.mass-council.org](http://www.mass-council.org), as well as at each town hall and public library. The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council gives priority to projects originating on the Island and benefiting the year-round Island community.

In September 2013 the Commonwealth allocated the MVCC \$25,500 for local re-granting. The six Island Towns also contributed generously: Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, and West Tisbury voted to donate \$1,000, \$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,500, and \$2,000, respectively. Together with interest and unclaimed grant funds from the previous cycle, the total available for granting was \$43,217.

In 2013 the MVCC received 34 applications requesting a total of \$70,546.00.

The awards granted by the MV Cultural Council in their November 4, 2013 Annual Grant Meeting are listed below.

Adult and Community Education of Martha's Vineyard	
Arts in Global Education	\$2,531
Alaimo, Holly	
Martha's Vineyard Wind Festival	\$1,074
Aquinnah Cultural Center	
Storytelling Festival	\$2,131
Arts Martha's Vineyard (Arts MV)	
Arts MV Annual Meeting Speaker	\$591
Bates, Davis	
Celebrating New England: A performance for seniors	\$497
Bena, Thomas	
One Big Home	\$747

Chicken Alley Thrift Shop	
Needl Book vol 2	\$1,231
Chilmark School Outing Program	
Sailing the Schooner Alabama	\$753
Clark, Richard	
"A time to Laugh, a time to weep"	\$556
ConSenses	
ConSenses presents "Adrift"	\$1,335
Crelan, John	
Bloomsday	\$1,081
Ditchfield, Miriam	
Day 90	\$1,122
Dreeben, Jane	
Vineyard Soul: Profiles of Island Artists	\$1,119
Fellowship Health Resources, Inc.	
Studio 35-Healing Arts Recovery Program	\$796
Garden Gate Child Development Center, Inc.	
"Who are we?" - an exploration of self & community	\$506
Kirn, Roberta	
Winter Concert and Community Sings	\$1,590
Klein, Susan	
Spice of Life- memoir organization and writing	\$937
Laura Sargent Hall and Abby Bender for	
Built on Stilts Dance Festival	\$1,682
Martha's Vineyard Chamber Music Society	
Annual Thanksgiving Concert 2013	\$1,062
Martha's Vineyard Film Festival	
March Film Festival	\$1,116
Martha's Vineyard Film Society, Inc.	
Film School Scholarship	\$59
Martha's Vineyard Film Society, Inc.	
Family Film Saturdays & Sundays afternoons	\$1,029
Martha's Vineyard Film Society, Inc.	
2014 Martha's Vineyard International Film Festival	\$866
Martha's Vineyard Museum	
Oral History Transcriptions	\$1,356
Martha's Vineyard Regional High School/Chilm Mark School 2/3 grades	
Plimouth Grist Mill	\$572
Martha's Vineyard Regional High Chilmark School 2/3 grades	
Boston Tea Party Ships/Freedom Trail	\$447

Martino, James Daniel	
MV Talks	\$776
Morrison, Trena	
Martha's Vineyard Fashion Week	\$943
O'Callaghan, William	
A walk through imagination	\$882
Racig, Sergio	
The Alegria Latin Dance Project	\$1,243
Silverman, Tricia	
Cultural Nutrition: habits of healthy populations	\$553
Swift, Donna	
IMP Story Theater in Third Grade Classrooms	\$1,463
Tisbury Elementary School, First Grades	
Big Apple Circus in Boston	\$601
Tisbury School	
Boston Ballet Nutcracker Performance	\$1,033
Vineyard Montessori School	
Museum of Fine Arts	\$544
Weintraub, Elaine Cawley	
One World Program-Islands of Tolerance	\$1,403
Wentworth, Ken	
Sustainable Vineyard documentary episode	\$1,057
West Tisbury Free Public Library	
Poetry for the People!	\$922
West Tisbury Free Public Library	
The world of the Troubadours and Trobairitz V	\$1,040
West Tisbury Free Public Library	
West Tisbury Library Children's Room Mural	\$2,768
Witham, Elizabeth	
DocuTunes, TV Episode-Local musician profile	\$1,203

As always, we wish to thank West Tisbury Town Accountant Bruce Stone and Town Treasurer Katherine Logue, who have processed the financial transactions of the Council since it became a regional entity in 2003. We are grateful as well to Director Joyce Bowker and the Up-Island Council on Aging for allowing us to use the Howes House as our meeting place.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Smith, Chair

**Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council  
2013 Membership**

Aquinnah

NANCY BENOIT  
ELIZABETH WITHAM  
JAMIE VANDERHOOP

Oak Bluffs

HOLLY ALAIMO  
WENDY PALMER  
BARRY STRINGFELLOW

Chilmark

JEN CHRISTY  
NAN DOTY, Sec.  
DEBORAH SILLIMANWAS

Tisbury

NOAVAKAY WIBEL  
BASIA JAWORSKA SILVA  
PHYLLIS VECCHIA

Edgartown

BRIAN DITCHFIELD  
NELSON W. SMITH, Chair  
WILLIAM G. VENO

West Tisbury

MARTA CAMARGO, Treas.  
BETH KRAMER  
PAUL LEVINE

Ex-Officio

WIET BACHELLER  
CHRIS DREYER

DAN WATERS (emeritus)  
PIA WEBSTER

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## REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISSION

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3136.5 acres, representing 5.4% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the Land Bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries; online at [www.mvlandbank.com](http://www.mvlandbank.com); and at the Land Bank office in Edgartown.

### Acquisitions

**Wapatequa Woods Reservation** in Tisbury grew slightly — the Land Bank purchased 3.2 acres from Cynthia Kolnos et al. The price was \$85,000.

Also in Tisbury the Land Bank agreed to forgo its use of a farm-road in exchange for a permanent easement allowing it to manage an abutting 3.4-acre property as coastal heathland. The grantors were Mark and Deborah McGoldrick and the easement area will be incorporated into the Land Bank's **Little Duarte's Pond Preserve**.

The knob of sand-dune enclosing the southerly end of the West Basin in Aquinnah was conserved, amounting to 4.9 acres. 1415 feet of beach are now permanent open space and have been added to the **Menemsha Neck Preserve**. The total price was \$60,000 and the sellers were Allen Flanders, Graeme Flanders (via the Vineyard Permanent Charity Fund) and H. Brian Flanders.

The scenic — and productive — pasture owned by the Arnold and Priscilla Fischer family on the Town and Short Coves of the Tisbury Great Pond was protected. This West Tisbury property, which includes some 3100 feet of shoreline, was first discussed by the Land Bank in 1987; negotiations never flowered until 2013, when the West Tisbury selectmen assigned to the Land Bank their right-of-first-refusal over a pasture building lot there. In the end, the Land Bank purchased, for a total price of \$3,450,000, the 12.9-acre lot plus an agricultural preservation restriction over an adjoining 25 acres and a trail easement connecting all of this to the Tiah's Cove Road. These properties and the Land Bank's existing Crow Hollow Farm property have been consolidated, for land management purposes, into a single property called the **Short Cove Preserve**.

Another long hoped-for property was conserved in 2013: a ±1000' beach in Oak Bluffs was donated by the heirs of Alvin and Moses Strock. Located between the hospital and the drawbridge, it is popular with islanders for various harvesting and beach activities. Most remarkable about the 4.4-acre transaction is that it was a gift — no Land Bank expenditures were necessary, for which the Land Bank was quite grateful. In order to honor a beloved member of the family, the donors named the land the **Doug's Cove Preserve**.

In addition, the Land Bank continued to pursue partial interests in properties across the island.

#### Land management

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Ecological inventories and studies continued at many Land Bank properties: Aquinnah Headlands Preserve, Doug's Cove Preserve, Great Rock Bight Preserve, Paint Mill Brook Preserve, Pecoy Point Preserve, Poucha Pond Reservation, Short Cove Preserve, Three Ponds Reservation and the Waskosim's Rock Reservation.

Management plans for the Ocean View Farm Preserve and Toad Rock Preserve were approved under both the Land Bank law and the endangered species law; pending are plans for the Doug's Cove Preserve and Short Cove Preserve. A special management protocol for the northern gamma grass — an unusual plant which the Land Bank discovered at its Pecoy Point Preserve — was approved under the various laws and promptly implemented.

The Land Bank continued to upgrade its trails island-wide, to meet its new performance standard. New connecting trails were created in various locations; a particularly useful link was established, across town land, to connect the Tisbury Meadow Preserve and Wapatequa Woods Reservation. In addition, a trail loop was installed at the Muskoday Farm. Shrub encroachments were repulsed, notably on the runway at the Trade Wind Fields Preserve.

Ongoing maintenance continued on various Land Bank properties across the island.

#### Cross-island hike

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The Land Bank's twenty-first annual Cross-Island Hike celebrating National Trails Day — annually the first Saturday in June — revived the practice of starting at the previous year's endpoint. Forty-eight hikers started on the beach at the Katama Point Preserve in Edgartown; 29 finished at the Lamberts Cove Beach in West Tisbury. Sixty people are estimated to have participated in at least a portion of the hike, with 24 completing the entire 18.6 miles.

#### Budget and related matters

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The following chart synthesizes the Land Bank's annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the Land Bank office:

	fiscal year 2013 budgeted	fiscal year 2013 actual	fiscal year 2014 budgeted
	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total
revenues	\$6,100,000	\$9,016,416	\$7,000,000 *
administrative expenses	(\$ 474,418 ) 6%	(\$ 448,966 ) 5%	(\$ 487,145 ) 6%
land management expenses	(\$ 748,695 ) 10%	(\$ 750,386 ) 8%	(\$ 839,516 ) 10%
debt service expenses	(\$6,505,337 ) 84%	(\$6,779,582 ) 75%	(\$6,716,028 ) 84%
reserve expenses	(\$ 30,000 ) 0%		(\$ 30,000 ) 0%
transferred funds	\$1,658,450	\$ 0	\$1,072,689
unencumbered new receipts	\$ 0	\$1,037,482 12%	\$ 0

Transferred funds are receipts from previous fiscal years to be utilized for current debt service. As of December 1, 2013 the Land Bank treasury contained an unencumbered \$8,929,708.02.

The asterisk (\*) indicates the Land Bank's revenue projections.

#### Gifts

The Land Bank gratefully accepted several gifts of cash: \$21.80 from Our Island Club; \$100 from Rebekah Zanditon; \$100 from Tammy Kallman in memory of Wayne Kallman; and \$1000 from the Aquinnah/Gay Head Community Association.

Transfer fee revenues

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Fiscal Year 2013 transfer fee revenues were:

	transfer fee revenues received July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013	percent of total
Aquinnah Fund	\$ 99,290	1%
Chilmark Fund	\$ 629,653	7%
Edgartown Fund	\$1,885,511	21%
Oak Bluffs Fund	\$ 445,197	5%
Tisbury Fund	\$ 604,472	7%
West Tisbury Fund	\$ 844,086	9%
central fund	\$4,508,209	50%
	\$9,016,417	100%

This represented a 21% increase over the previous year.

Commissioners and staff

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The Land Bank commission comprises the following members: Pamela Goff, Chilmark; Glenn Hearn, West Tisbury; Carlos Montoya, Aquinnah; Edith Potter, commonwealth; Thomas Robinson, Tisbury; Priscilla Sylvia, Oak Bluffs; and Edward Vincent, Jr., Edgartown. The year-round Land Bank staff comprises the following individuals: Matthew Dix, foreman; James Dropick, conservation land assistant; Jean-Marc Dupon, conservation land assistant; Maureen Hill, administrative assistant; Jeffrey Komarinetz, conservation land assistant; Cynthia Krauss, fiscal officer; James Lengyel, executive director; and Julie Russell, ecologist.

Respectfully submitted,

James Lengyel  
Executive Director



## REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD SHELLFISH GROUP

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To the Honorable Boards of Selectmen:

The Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued its programs to preserve and enhance the shellfish resources of Martha's Vineyard and the clean water they require. Our program received funding from the six Island towns, the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, the Nature Conservancy, the Wampanoag Tribe, private donations, and grant moneys from the Northeastern Regional Aquaculture Center, the Jewish Communal Fund, the Great Pond Foundation, the Edey Foundation, the Friends of Sengekontacket, the Permanent Endowment for Martha's Vineyard, the Lagoon Pond Association and the River Bend Fund. Highlights of our 2013 program are as follows:

**Solar Shellfish Hatchery** - The key mission of our shellfish program is to maintain a critical mass of broodstock in the Island ponds. To that end, we annually produce millions of seed shellfish for release in the ponds. In 2013, we produced almost 10.5 million seed quahogs and a record number of over 20 million seed scallops. Over 11 million eyed oyster larvae were also produced in the hatchery. Working with the Island's shellfish constables, these seed shellfish were planted in the Island's ponds in a successful ongoing shellfish enhancement effort.

**Expansion into the John T. Hughes Hatchery** – In 2013 we continued a cooperative venture with the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) expanding our shellfish culture operations into the John T. Hughes Hatchery (former State Lobster Hatchery) in Oak Bluffs. The arrangement provided additional nursery space to complement our operations at the Chappy Shellfish Nursery and resulted in increased shellfish seed production. Under the lease agreement, DMF provided funding for utilities and one part-time technician. We successfully cultured seed quahogs and scallops, and remote-set eyed oysters in the newly renovated facility. The Permanent Endowment for Martha's Vineyard, the Lagoon Pond Association and the Nature Conservancy provided additional funding support.

**Oyster Restoration** – In 2013, with funding from the Jewish Communal Fund, the Great Pond Foundation and the Nature Conservancy, we continued our oyster restoration programs in Edgartown and Tisbury Great Ponds. The overall goal of these projects is restoring the number of oysters in the ponds to levels at which this keystone species can again provide its vital ecosystem functions to restore ecological balance to the local marine environment. We are very pleased with the results we have achieved over the past 6 years. The standing crop of adult oysters continues to increase to levels that other oyster

restoration programs in the country can only dream of. Populations have been restored to levels necessary to positively impact water quality, and in Tisbury Great Pond commercial fishers are again gainfully employed harvesting a high quality, renewable local food source. This summer we observed extremely heavy sets of seed oysters in both Edgartown and Tisbury Great Ponds. We assisted the Nature Conservancy with a project to establish a new one acre oyster reef area on a mud bottom in Tisbury Great Pond.



Restored oyster bed in Tisbury Great Pond.

**Offshore Mussel Culture Initiative** – Under a federal grant from the Northeastern Regional Aquaculture Center, we continue to collaborate with researchers at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole to further develop a Martha’s Vineyard cultured mussel industry. This past year we continued experiments to improve collection methods of wild mussel seed.

**Testing for pharmaceuticals** -Under funding from the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, the Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies (PCCS) initiated a program to monitor Nantucket Sound and its estuaries for the presence of pharmaceuticals. We assisted PCCS by collecting water samples from Lagoon, Trapp’s and Edgartown Great ponds for pharmaceutical analyses. Edgartown Great Pond had the distinction of having the highest levels of acetaminophen of any of the 20 sites tested in the region. Ranges for other contaminants in Island ponds were average compared to the other sites.

**Shell Recycling Project** – When shellfish are harvested, shells are removed from the pond. Shell provides critical habitat for oysters and is increasingly important as a natural buffer to reduce the negative effects of acidified

seawater on marine organisms, including shellfish. With funding from the Edey Foundation, Jessie Holtham continued and expanded the shell recovery and recycling project she initiated in 2011. Shell collection bins are now provided at several refuse collection sites.

**Expanded Quahog Nursery Culture** – Under a grant from the Friends of Sengekontacket, we are assisting the Edgartown and Oak Bluffs Shellfish Departments in increasing the duration of time that seed quahogs are protected in nursery culture to both increase survival and improve water quality in Sengekontacket Pond.

**Pilot Seaweed Culture Project** – Under a grant from the Edey Foundation, we continued a pilot study of the potential to culture edible seaweeds on the Island. Like shellfish, cultured sea vegetables have potential to improve water quality through their uptake of nitrogen and to provide a healthful local food product.

**Think Locally and Act Globally** - I continue to serve as Co-Chair of the Southeastern Massachusetts Aquaculture Center, on the Industry Subcommittee of the National Shellfisheries Association and on the governing boards of the Massachusetts Aquaculture Association, East Coast Shellfish Growers Association, and the Lagoon Pond Association. I also serve on the advisory boards of the Friends of Sengekontacket and the Squibnocket District Advisory Committee and am a member of the MV Water Alliance.

More detailed reports of our work are posted on our website [www.mvshellfishgroup.org](http://www.mvshellfishgroup.org).

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. Karney Shellfish Biologist/Director

### SEED SHELLFISH DISTRIBUTED IN 2013

	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>Quahogs</b>	Aquinnah	2,090,000
	Chilmark	2,090,000
	Edgartown	2,090,000
	Oak Bluffs	2,090,000
	Tisbury	2,090,000

**Total Quahog Seed 10,450,000**

### **Scallops**

	<u>Seed on Burlap (estimated)</u>	<u>Seed from Tables</u>
Aquinnah	4,000,000	27,770
Chilmark	4,000,000	27,770
Edgartown	4,000,000	27,770
Oak Bluffs	4,000,000	27,770
Tisbury	4,000,000	27,770
Wampanoag Tribe*		150,000

**Total Scallop Seed 20,288,850**

### **Oysters (Disease-resistant)**

<b>Oyster Larvae</b>	Tisbury	Edgartown	The Nature
	Great Pond	Great Pond**	Conservancy*
Fertilized eggs	56,500,000	56,500,000	
12 Day old larvae	1,765,000	1,765,000	
15 Day old larvae	3,250,000	3,250,000	

<b>Eyed -larvae (Remotely Set)</b>	5,750,000	3,774,000	2,030,000
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**Total Oyster Larvae & Eggs 134,584,000**

<b>Single Oyster Seed</b>	Edgartown Great Pond**	19,889
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**Total Single Oysters 19,889**

\*Provided under contract

\*\*Includes oysters produced with private foundation funding

## **REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY SHELLFISH COMMITTEE**

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Dear Townspeople:

Over the years, and as many of you know, Tisbury Great Pond has been a hugely valuable natural resource for the Town, and for our sister town of Chilmark. It isn't just a recreational area; it is the home for many different species of flora and fauna from muskrats and otters to oysters and clams, and ospreys to herring. Although certain areas of Town Cove have elevated levels of bacterial contamination and evidence of excessive nitrogen, in general the Pond is very healthy and the creatures and plants which live in, on, above and around it are very healthy as well.

The Massachusetts Estuarine study has finally been made available, as of last spring, and although there are questions about some of its findings, in general it recommends continued vigilance and common sense solutions.

In 2013 55 family permits and 15 commercial shell fishing permits were issued. Many families like to get a mess of clams or oysters and taking some time to clamber around the Pond shores fishing or just sitting peacefully is always a pleasant way to spend some time. That is, except in summer when the increasing number of jets and prop planes (many privately owned and operated) have become increasingly frequent and very annoying.

The cut in the barrier beach has been moved back to the west in an attempt to flush out the accumulations of sand and increase the flow of salt water (necessary to the well-being of the oysters).

All told, eighty yards of old shell (steamed to prevent biological contamination) were placed in strategic locations to increase foundation spots for oyster spat. The Nature Conservancy has permission to sue a 1 acre site straddling the town line for an oyster regeneration spot. They placed about 125,000 remote set seed oysters from the MVSG – grown in tanks along the shore – on the cultch that they spread. They have sent the Committee and the Town their thanks for “the remarkable level of cooperation received from both town shellfish departments.” The MV Shellfish Group continues to provide seed oysters, wisdom, guidance, and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Gale, Constable & Shellfish Warden  
Will Whiting  
Jason Gale  
John Hoy  
Kenneth “Mal” Jones, Assistant Shellfish Warden

Virginia Jones  
Rick Karney  
David Merry  
Peter Vann

# **REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

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## **Annual Report Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013**



### **Advisory Board**

Alice Butler, Chairman, Oak Bluffs  
John Alley, West Tisbury  
June Manning, Aquinnah  
Connie Teixeira, Tisbury  
Leonard Jason, Chilmark  
Louis Paciello, Edgartown  
Marybeth Grady, Disabled Commuters Representative  
Angela E. Grant, Administrator

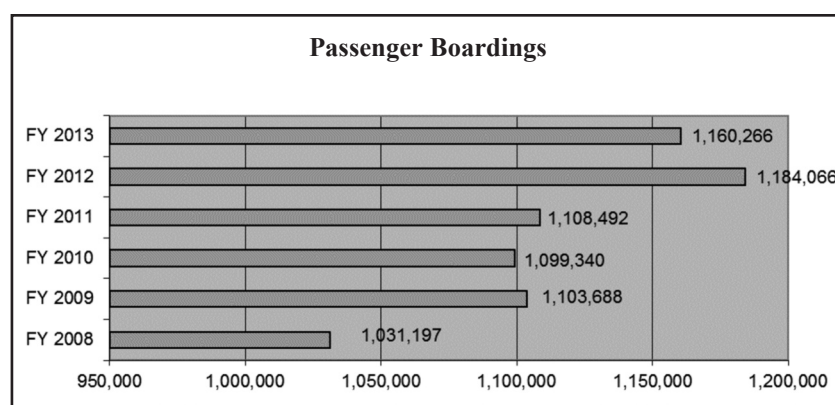
### **Ridership**

Fiscal Year 2013 showed a slight decrease in ridership for both the in-season and off-season, and an increased use of multi-day travel passes and Annual passes.

Fiscal Year 2013 showed an overall decrease of 2% in passenger boardings compared to FY 2012. Passenger boarding analysis shows a 7% decrease in the FY 2013 off-season ridership from FY 2012. Fiscal Year 2013 showed a decrease in medical, nutritional and social/recreational service trips on “The Lift” resulting in a 10% decrease from FY 2012.

#### Fixed Route Ridership

	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
July	228,006	261,735	245,214	269,237	290,248	275,455
August	254,856	286,044	265,384	265,686	268,749	291,568
September	118,503	107,316	131,257	118,462	133,887	126,859
October	62,250	69,594	60,675	63,907	67,217	57,637
November	24,920	29,142	28,092	29,096	29,635	29,986
December	18,739	23,381	22,859	23,309	24,760	24,661
January	18,827	20,659	20,364	21,060	22,839	22,162
February	18,980	20,720	20,040	19,673	22,456	20,106
March	23,792	25,737	26,987	25,694	28,798	27,036
April	34,355	38,125	39,630	35,092	42,834	39,240
May	78,874	84,607	91,324	88,395	90,976	87,167
June	149,095	136,628	147,514	148,881	161,667	158,389
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,031,197</b>	<b>1,103,688</b>	<b>1,099,340</b>	<b>1,108,492</b>	<b>1,184,066</b>	<b>1,160,266</b>

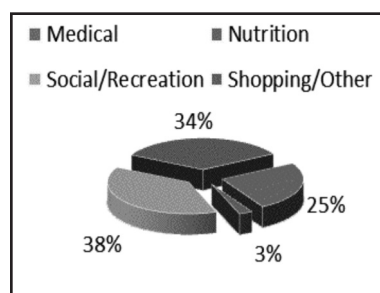


All VTA buses are equipped with bike racks that can carry two or three bikes on a first come, first served basis. There is no additional fee for using the bike rack. Stationary racks are available for bike storage at several stops. In FY 13 the VTA carried 21,134 bikes.

## ADA Ridership & The Lift

The Martha's Vineyard Regional Transit Authority provides year-round paratransit service to the Island's six (6) towns. The VTA also provides weekly van service to Boston area medical facilities (Medivan). The following is a breakdown of Lift trips by purpose:

<b>Trip Purpose</b>	<b>Trips</b>
Medical	3,319
Nutrition	355
Social/Recreational	5,056
Shopping/Other	4,489
<b>Total Trips</b>	<b>13,219</b>



## Financial

### Statement of Net Position June 30, 2013 and 2012

	<u><b>2013</b></u>	<u><b>2012</b></u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 597,781	\$ 23,088
Receivable for operating assistance	3,271,647	4,084,344
Other current assets	318,213	342,225
Total current assets	<u>4,187,641</u>	<u>4,449,657</u>
Noncurrent assets		
Restricted assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	455,867	269,590
Receivable for capital assistance	19,673	143,123
Total restricted assets	<u>475,540</u>	<u>412,713</u>
Receivable for operating assistance	310,051	305,137
Capital assets, net	<u>9,747,597</u>	<u>9,654,874</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>10,533,188</u>	<u>10,372,724</u>
Total assets	<u>14,720,829</u>	<u>14,822,381</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	238,239	613,533
Unearned revenue		52,368
Total current liabilities	<u>238,239</u>	<u>665,901</u>



Noncurrent liabilities

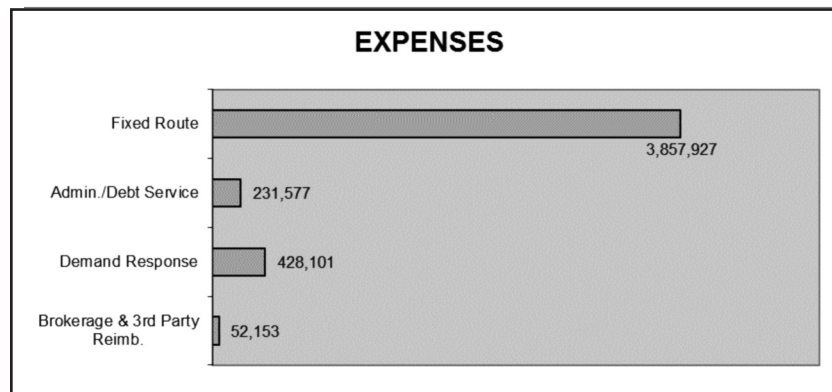
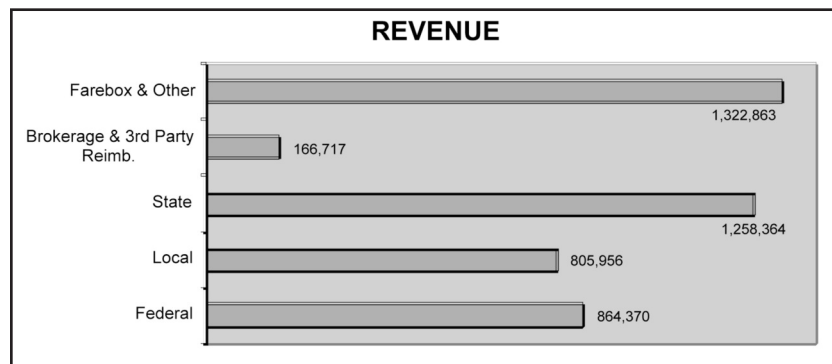
Liabilities payable from restricted assets		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	232,247	143,123
Other postemployment benefits	125,191	
Revenue anticipation notes	4,100,000	4,000,000
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>4,457,438</u>	<u>4,143,123</u>

Total liabilities	<u>4,695,677</u>	<u>4,809,024</u>
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NET POSITION

Invested in capital assets	9,747,597	9,654,874
Restricted	118,102	269,590
Unrestricted	159,453	88,893
Total net position	<u>\$ 10,025,152</u>	<u>\$ 10,013,357</u>

**Fiscal Year 2013 Audit Report**



## **REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

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Dear Board of Selectmen:

The Parks and Recreation Committee is pleased to report another successful year providing quality programs and activities to the community of West Tisbury.

Our annual chess club began in January following the holiday break. We enrolled 38 students in grades one through six. The eight week session is held in the cafeteria at the west Tisbury School. The club finishes with a tournament and awards party. All participants receive trophy as well individual awards for the top three finishers in each level; beginner 1&2, intermediate, and advanced. This year's winner was Jack Holmes. In early March we held our 12th annual Family Skate at the ice arena. The community brought snacks to share and the Parks and Recreation Committee provided drinks and hot chocolate. The spring and summer brings lots of activity to the town grounds of West Tisbury. Both ball fields continue to see lots of use from the school leagues, MV Little League, Men's and Women's Softball leagues, MV Youth Soccer as well as many other private groups. We have completed stage one of our two year plan to renovate the ball fields. In late fall we renovated Manter Field with the help of CPC funds. Vineyard Gardens did an excellent job replacing the infield with hydro seed, replacing the base paths with new bluestone, and liming and fertilizing the outfields. We ask that people stay off the infield until May 1 to let the new grass really have a chance to take. We have been approved by CPC to renovate the school field this spring and appreciate the support of the community. The new basketball court has been a welcome addition to town activities and has grown in popularity.

Our summer season is always between Seth's Pond, Lambert's Cove Beach, Tennis and Basketball. Total revenue of beach sales, tennis and basketball was \$66,740. We were not able to provide swim instruction again this summer due to a high bacteria count which closed the pond for weeks at a time. The beach wheel chair continues to get regular use for those in need. The dune restoration project has been fully successful and the redesigned path was easily adopted. We had several private events and weddings at Lambert's Cove Beach this year. We ask that the community continue to respect the carry in carry out policy for trash at the beach. The annual Halloween Party as always was a big success. The community enjoyed pizza, cider, games and prizes. The spooky hayride is still the most popular tradition as Freddie Fisher brought his horses and truck to pull approximately 180 people through the cemetery. The committee would like thank all those who make this a special event each year. The Saturday Recreation is always a popular program for first through fifth

graders. The ten week programs run from the weekend after Thanksgiving to February break. 40 students participated in sports, theater and art activities on Saturday mornings at the West Tisbury School. The Parks and Recreation Committee is proud of the work we have done and the programs we offer to the community. We look forward to another productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Lowe Co-Chair  
Hap Bernard, Co-Chair  
Lisa Amols  
Suzanne Hammond  
Peggy Stone, Board Administrator

## **REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD**

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In 2013, Jennifer Haynes resigned from the Personnel Board after a short but very impactful tenure as a member and Chair. Gerry Gallagher assumed the role of Chair.

2013 saw staff turnover in three of the busiest departments in town hall.

The Zoning Board of Appeals hired Claire Harrington to replace Julie Keefe who retired after 15 years. Julie started as the staff person for both the ZBA and the Conservation Commission at a time of rapid development of the Town. Eventually, the ZBA position became full time. Welcome to Claire.

Ernie Mendenhall retired as the full time building inspector but is continuing on as a part-time employee and mentor to newly appointed local building inspector Joe Tierney. Welcome to Joe.

Kristina West stepped down from her position as Principal Assessor, being replaced by Dawn Barnes who moved to the Vineyard to take this position. We welcome Dawn to town and to the staff.

In 2013, annual town meeting voters approved the Board's recommendation to approve a 2% wage adjustment for all Town employees for FY2014.

In the coming year, the Board will undertake a classification and compensation plan review as provided for in Section 6-6 of the Personnel Bylaw. The last review of this plan was done in 2008-2009 by Municipal Resources Inc. of Meredith, NH. The last review was thorough and provided updated job descriptions for each position. The scope of this project includes a review of all town job descriptions to determine if the classification plan needs to be updated and a comparison of wage scales with comparable sized off island towns and island towns to be sure that the Town is providing a competitive and prevailing wage rate. Any recommendations for revisions to the classification and compensations plan that result from this review will be put before Town Meeting in 2015.

As always, the Board reviewed and acted upon annual job performance reports, confirmed appointments, and approved job descriptions and classification placement for new positions.

The Board wishes to recognize with appreciation the input and support of all departments and employees in the ongoing administration and continuing evolution of the town's personnel plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerry Gallagher, Chair

Norman Perry

Brian Smith

Matthew Gebo, Employee Representative

## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

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2013 has been a busy year on many fronts for the Planning Board, with some complex and time consuming challenges. Working with other boards, committees and town officials, we strive to maintain the rural character, open lands and scenic vistas throughout the town. It is a source of pride that we continue to protect the fields surrounding the core of town from development.

The number of Form A and Site Plan Review Applications has been typical. Most Form A applications have requested a simple lot line change for the purpose of selling off a parcel or creating a home site lot, or creating space for a building. Each one that we processed was a fairly simple request and provided adequate consideration of neighboring properties. Our Site Plan Review applications were similarly straightforward, with requests to expand or significantly renovate an existing dwelling, to place storage containers in the Light Industrial District, and two requests to open and operate specialized medical facilities in the Mixed Business District. We were asked to comment on a plan to open a landscaping office in the Mixed Business District; the Board approved the plan with several restrictions, including to use only locally grown native vegetation for landscaping, to have minimal exterior lighting, and to store only non-toxic, organic fertilizers on the premises. Hours of operation and signage are all specified conditions as are location of fences, gardens and additional storage.

During the review process, for each application we request energy efficient construction with low maintenance materials, downward facing lights (if any) outside for safety purposes only, non-reflective glass in windows, locally grown native vegetation for landscaping, and minimal fertilizer and use of chemicals. Our goal is to protect our land, air and water, as well as ourselves and flora and fauna.

We continue to encourage applicants to be mindful of neighbors when considering their plans to alter a property. The placement of a driveway should be appropriate, combining driveways if possible. The Board feels strongly that any alteration should minimize negative impact on abutting properties.

Over the past several months, with Bea Phear at the helm of a sub-committee, we have been revising the Solar Energy System bylaw. Changing environmental conditions have encouraged us to focus on the needs of homeowners and businesses currently investigating renewable energy. Working with several local experts, we have gathered data about how best to regulate the placement of solar panels, while allowing property owners the flexibility to benefit from this renewable energy source.

Perhaps our greatest challenge of the year was the request from a town business owner to create a zoning bylaw to allow a Registered Marijuana Dispensary to be located in the Mixed Business District. This is one of two applications currently for West Tisbury Dispensaries. According to the state, all city and town Planning Boards are responsible for drafting the guidelines for their particular town with regard to a facility. We drafted the bylaw, with assistance from Town Counsel, to provide simple but clear regulations in the event an applicant is granted a license from the state to open a Dispensary in West Tisbury.

We are regularly approached by individuals seeking guidance on ideas they may wish to pursue. One individual presented an idea to place a food truck in a designated location for service to local employees, construction workers and beach-goers. The Board was interested in his plan but felt it lacked information that would support his proposal. Members suggested he come back with a more detailed plan at a later date.

Another individual approached the Board with an idea to either ban the operation of remotely controlled Drones, or regulate them by requiring a special permit with strict conditions attached. He felt that the devices could be an invasion of privacy as they may be equipped with cameras. The Board recommended he draft a petition and gather signatures from town residents requesting action. Members of the Board stated that they may not have a say in the matter until the Federal Aviation Administration has finalized the regulations they are currently drafting.

Something near and dear to our hearts is our local walkways, shared paths and hiking trails. For over 30 years, the Planning Board has worked to make the town safe for our pedestrians, and we continue in that task. We were pleased to see that the responses to our town survey strongly favor improving the conditions of these ways, and would like to see more created. It is our plan to place walking paths in the village center as it is a heavily congested area with vehicular and foot traffic during the summer months, and the embarking and disembarking of bus traffic throughout the school year.

Board members serve the Town in many other capacities. Susan Silva represents us on the Land Bank's Town Advisory Board. Leah Smith serves on the Capital Improvements Planning Committee and is the Chairman of the Library Building Committee. Henry Geller, our associate member, currently serves as our representative to the Affordable Housing Committee, and Bea Phear has replaced Ginny Jones as our representative on the Community Preservation Committee. Board members rotate attending various board and committee meetings when the agenda is applicable to the Planning Board.

We continue to work diligently in support of affordable housing, renewable energy, and the safety of our roads and ways. We also regularly discuss the need for the Town of West Tisbury to provide affordable senior housing for ownership and rental purposes. We visualize its location to be within walking

distance of the Mixed Business District and bus services for the convenience of our elder community. We have been active in recommending that the busses embark/disembark passengers only from the Town Hall location, and we have urged that a blinking light district be established to slow traffic near the Charter School, Public Safety Building, and the Mixed Business District.

At the beginning of 2013, we distributed a survey to all West Tisbury households, in preparation for a revised Master Plan. The result of our survey has been enlightening. The abundant response offered much supportive feedback for our town facilities, departments, school and beaches. In response to our question regarding what kind of businesses you would like to see in the Mixed Business District, the most overwhelming responses were a “café” and a “hardware store.” You strongly favored limiting the size of new homes, and were most supportive of our library, emergency management, fire department, and bike and walking paths.

Finally, we would like to thank Town Counsel Ron Rappaport and his assistant Michael Goldsmith, Zoning Inspector Ernest Mendenhall and our new Building Inspector Joe Tierney, Health Agent John Powers, Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Tucker Hubbell, Electrical Inspector Tom Colligan, Road Inspector Leo DeSorcy, Fire Chief Manny Estrella and the entire staff of the West Tisbury Town Hall, for the guidance, assistance and hard work they have provided to our Board this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia C. Jones, Chairman  
Susan Silva, Vice-Chairman  
Leah Smith  
Beatrice Phear  
Matthew Merry  
Henry Geller, Associate Member

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

*“Protecting and maintaining the quality of life for all”*

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To the Board of Selectmen:

The year 2013 has been exciting for the police department with the construction of the new police station, completion is scheduled for March of 2014. I would like to thank the residents of West Tisbury, the Board of Selectmen, and all town boards for their overwhelming support for the project and the department as a whole.

Our police department members continue to not only do an excellent job, but also continue to be very active members in the Town of West Tisbury and the island community. Many by donating their time while off duty too many island causes and programs. Officers serving the town over the past year are: Lt. Matthew Mincone, Sgt. J. Skipper Manter, Officer Dan Gouldrup, Officer Garrison Vieira, Officer Leomar De'Oliveira, Officer Russell Ventura, Officer James Neville, Officer Matthew Gebo, Administrative Assistant Hadden Blair, Special Officer Zach Townes, Special Officer Bradley Cortez and Special Officer Jason Flanders.

As always, that the Fire Department, Tri-Town Ambulance, Animal Control, Highway Department and all Island law enforcement agencies for working together. The department will always strive to provide the best professional service that our townspeople deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel R. Rossi  
Chief of Police





### Police Department Statistics

911 Hang-up	46	Landlord/Tenant Disputes	14
Accidents    Aircraft/Alerts	1	Larceny/Larceny by Check	20
Bicycle	1	Littering/Dumping Trash	3
Moped	3	Lock Out (Assist Motorist)	67
Alarms        Burglar	214	Malicious Destruction/ Vandalism	12
Fire	72	Missing Person/ Runaway	5
Bank	0	Motor Vehicle	
Life-line	2	Abandon	2
Other	32	Accidents	58
<i>Alarm Total</i>	<i>318</i>	Citations	134
Medical Emergency	157	Stops	
Animal Complaints	15	(no citation)	608
<i>Arrest Total</i>	<i>20</i>	Disabled	34
Assault & Battery	14	Unauthorized Use	1
Assist Other Agency	10	Noise Complaints	30
B & E/Larceny	18	Parking Violation Complaints	11
By-Law Violation		Parking Violation Tickets	39
Noise	30	Property    Found	56
Other	3	Reported Lost	16
Child Abuse/Neglect		Protective Custody	1
51a	2	Service of Court Documents	23
Criminal Summons	54	Sex Crimes	3
Unattended Death	2	Weapons Complaints	11
Domestic Disturbance/ Restraining Order	10	Suspicious    Motor Vehicles	5
Domestic Related Activity	56	Persons	6
Erratic MV Operator	66	Activity	14
Harassment	9	Trespass	17
Hunting Violation Complaints	6	Welfare Checks	31

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

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Ms. Susan Mercier, Chairperson  
Martha's Vineyard Superintendency  
Union #19 School Committee

Dear Ms. Mercier:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, it is my distinct honor to offer this annual report as Superintendent of Schools to you and the members of the six school committees of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools (MVPS). While this year has been full of challenges, our schools continue to be places focused upon student learning. Much of our success is due to the dedicated teachers and support staff who work tirelessly to make the educational experiences offered to our young people as special as the Vineyard itself.

The year featured a great deal of personnel work. The five districts on the Island hired almost 100 new staff members from teachers to custodians, with many of these new educators being replacements for retiring High School teachers. There were numerous changes at the administrative level as well. West Tisbury Principal Michael Halt accepted a position in California, which left the Vineyard to seek a new principal and a new Assistant Superintendent as Laurie Halt accompanied her husband in his cross-country trek. Interim Director of Student Support Services Donna Lowell-Bettencourt was selected to fill the principalship leaving an additional vacancy at the Superintendent's Office. After lengthy national searches, we were fortunate to hire Dr. Matthew D'Andrea as our new Assistant Superintendent and Philip Campbell as our new Student Support Services Director.

Members of the All-Island School Committee's negotiations team have conducted successful negotiations with teachers, food service workers and custodians. In each case, the discussions resulted in three-year agreements which will add two additional student contact days over the term of the contract. As I write this annual report, we are still holding discussions with ESP's and hope to begin work with the secretaries within the month.

Working closely with members of the two teacher associations on the Vineyard, we continue to refine the implementation of the State-mandated educator evaluation system, which covers all professional staff including the Superintendent, administrators and classroom teachers. The clear purpose of this process is the improvement of teaching and learning and the dialogue around these efforts. While complicated, this new approach focuses on a set of standards that describes what good teaching looks like, and then measures

each educator against those standards. This continued implementation will add District-Determined Measures (DDM's) of student achievement to the process and then finally community feedback about the success of our efforts as educators.

Our curriculum work over the year has focused upon the continued efforts at improving student writing, adding the Lucy Calkins writing Program at many elementary schools and measuring success at the middle level by the use of a portfolio system. At the High School, much work has been done to increase the range of programming available to our students by the implementation of a revised Grades 9 – 12 alternative program and the creation of a new Special Education program for those needing therapeutic support. Both new endeavors are still in the evolving stages but show great promise.

Island schools saw increased scrutiny this year as the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) conducted its six-year Coordinated Program Review of each individual district's programming. While our regular and special educators provided the DESE team a wide range of information, this effort was focused mostly upon compliance with state and federal regulations and not the true improvement of instruction. Additionally, Martha's Vineyard Regional High School had its cyclical visit by a team from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges focusing upon accreditation. The results of this visit are not available as of yet; however, it will be interesting to see how well the visiting team "gets" the unique nature of the Vineyard's educational system.

Vineyard schools at all levels continue to work closely with our Island partners from the Trustees of the Reservation to the MV Museum to Felix Neck. Each of these important groups and venues offers our students the opportunity to stretch their educational experiences. One important partnership requiring special mention is the close relationship formed between the MVPS and the Island Grown Schools Program. Every school has its own garden for improving student understanding of where our food comes from; the Island's farming history and the importance of being good stewards of our natural heritage. Additionally, locally grown foods from vegetables to chicken have been made available free through gleaning or at reasonable cost helping to keep school lunch costs down.

Working closely with our School Business Administrator and Chief Procurement Officer Amy Tierney, we continue our efforts at managing our \$80 million worth of facilities. This year saw significant work at the Chilmark School where drainage and landscaping work were required to prevent additional damage to the building envelope. Additional work will be required over the next few years to completely address the issues found by a consulting engineer. The Tisbury School District, while planning for the eventual construction of a new facility, conducted an assessment of the integrity of the school's roof and found that a new roof was needed. Thankfully, the voters of

the Town voted funds to complete this project allowing the project to go forward this upcoming summer. Finally, the Superintendent's Office in Vineyard Haven saw some small improvements to its former church building. Because of its poor condition, ultimately, a new office will be constructed on the High School campus.

With the tragedy at Sandy Hook in Connecticut fresh in everyone's mind, Vineyard schools worked closely emergency officials to develop improved safety plans, conduct a wider range of emergency drills and looked closely at their individual facilities for needed safety improvements. Every school has seen an increased police presence with the Regional High School placing funds for a School Resource Officer (SRO) in its budget for FY15. The buildings themselves have undergone significant safety improvements. Some have re-keyed their doors, others have constructed new entrance paths and still others have installed panic buttons. All of this work continues as we take seriously our responsibility for student safety.

A major initiative this year has been the long-range planning for our increasing population of students requiring special education. Much of this programming is the responsibility of the Superintendent's Shared Services programs; however, every Island school has engaged in a review of its efforts in this area. While much of this programming is mandated, we, on the Vineyard, take our responsibilities to these students and to every student seriously, constantly continuing to seek better ways to provide quality for all students.

These last nine years serving the Vineyard's students has shown me once again how special this community is. Our schools are successful because the community supports our work; because the staff is dedicated to providing best practices and because our students truly want to learn. While we still have our small struggles, I remain proud to be a part of this wonderful system.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Weiss, EdD  
Superintendent of Schools

## **REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**

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Dear Dr. Weiss:

As we draw towards the close of another successful year at Martha's Vineyard Regional High School, I would like to draw your attention to some of the wonderful things that we have collectively accomplished. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank: our teachers, island educators, our administrators, the community, our parents, and most of all our students. Without these groups working together as a team we would not have been able to accomplish as much in the name of Island education.

In English, eighty-eight percent of the students taking the 2013 Advanced Placement English exams from our school earned a passing grade of either a 3, 4, or 5--with 5 being the highest possible score. This percentage is approximately 25 points above the national average.

Our overall 2013 MCAS English Language Arts score was 98.0. The score goal that the state set for us to reach by 2016 was 97.9. Thus, we are 1/10 of a point above the required overall score goal that we needed to reach. We achieved in one year what the state had given us six to reach.

For the first time in our school's history, the print/online version of our students' newspaper won a First Place Award from the New England Scholastic Press Association in the All-New England Award category, Division III, for the second year in a row. In addition, four students earned individual awards for excellence in scholastic journalism. Three of our student journalists have even been hired by the MV Times to do paid, freelance journalism for the newspaper.

The newly relocated Writing Lab continues to serve high school students. Since the beginning of the 2013-14 school year, the lab has received more than 1,500 visits. Teachers from almost every department have utilized the lab by either bringing their classes into the Writing Lab or by inviting the Lab teacher to give writing workshops in their classrooms. The Lab is beginning to create an on-campus publishing house where students will be able to turn their writing into books.

In Mathematics, the Department enjoyed a successful year regarding 2013 standardized testing. The 2013 MCAS scores were the second highest ever, as 88% of students scored at the Proficient or high level, with 65% scoring Advanced. Our CPI increased to 94.1 and our three-year CPI average was 94.3. Our Student Growth Percentile (SGP) increased by 6.5%.

The SAT score average was 550, higher than the state average and the highest of the past decade. The department had an all-time high of 37 students in the AP program. The BC Calculus mean was 3.3; AP Statistics was 2.69; and the AB Calculus mean improved by 19%.

Professionally, Math department members attended many professional development seminars, “webinars,” and courses. We were able to increase a staff position from part- to full-time, enabling increased offerings for the math lab along with expanded Geometry coverage.

The History & Social Studies department continued its outreach to the Island community working collaboratively with several organizations. The One World Cultural exchange with the High School of Economics and Finance in Manhattan was a great success involving 15 Island students in the study of history and culture. The New Yorkers, on their return visit, brought 25 students to explore the Island. We had a group of twelve students participate in the Close Up program in Washington, D.C., and the freshman classes have toured the African American Heritage Trail and are working on research projects to extend their knowledge of Island history.

Guest speakers throughout the year have included veterans from our community and representatives from both the Wampanoag Tribe of Aquinnah and the Martha’s Vineyard Chapter of the NAACP. A day was dedicated to celebrate the life of Mev Good, a long-time substitute teacher, who had generously shared his life experiences with our students on topics ranging from the US in the years before the Civil Rights Movement to his WW2 military service. A lunch was held and students formed a guard of honor to welcome Mev to the school.

The Science Department has been working to incorporate STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) into the curriculum. Members are attending STEM conferences, integrating new labs into courses and collaborating with the Math and Art department with our Engineering Challenge.

We are working closely with the Special Education department and ELL coordinator to make sure that all of our students’ learning needs are supported in the sciences. We are actively using the chrome book computers, which were acquired last year, and on any given week they are used by 2-3 teachers a day. We have added an additional science instructor, and created a new Physics room.

2013 was a year of transition for the MVRHS Art, Design & Technology department, as it included the retirement of two long-serving art teachers (including department chair Paul Brissette), the departure of a computer science teacher, and the addition of a new Freshman Skills position. Our student artists held four week-long art exhibits at Featherstone Center for the Arts, as well as a successful Evening of the Arts show, and won a record number of gold and silver key awards at the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards.

Our new Freshman Skills teacher is working with every 9th grader to prepare them with 21st century skills for learning. In December, our computer science classes hosted the Hour of Code, introducing over 200 new students to computer programming concepts. Our new team has brought fresh approaches and new skills, including a new emphasis in cross-curricular design, engineering, and STE(A)M (STEM with an Art component) curricula.

2013 was, as always, a busy year in the Performing Arts Department. Several string and choral students were chosen to perform in the Southeast District concert and the All Cape and Islands Festival, and one of our violin students played in the All State Orchestra at Symphony Hall. In February, over 55 students presented 3 performances of the musical 'The Secret Garden', along with faculty and community members. Over February break, theatre students performed the original play, 'Reflections' at the Massachusetts Educational Theatre Guild competition and also presented the play for the community. Over April break, the Minnesingers traveled to Croatia, singing five formal and numerous informal concerts in Split and Dubrovnik, then presented their Spring Shows for the Island community in May. The department presented concerts for Music in Our Schools Month and at Evening of the Arts and participated in the graduation ceremonies in June. Also for Evening of the Arts, in collaboration with the Art, Design and Technology Department, several musicians and theatre students performed as soloists, in small groups, and in dramatic scenes.

In the fall, all the performing arts students attended Assessment Day to act as audience members for performances and original compositions by their fellow students. The String Quartet continued to provide entertainment for the Senior Luncheons and performed at other school and community events. The Minnesingers performed at three community events and at Windemere for the holiday season, and December brought the Minnesinger Winter Shows at the Whaling Church in Edgartown and the traditional Department Winter Concert.

In the spring, the World Language Department joined their annual World Language Night with Evening of the Arts and had a very successful event where students had the opportunity to showcase their work for the community. During that time, German students used Storybird to write and illustrate original short stories that came out beautifully.

In February, French students had the opportunity to take part in the National French Contest, where students can win scholarships and prizes while competing against other students at the same level of high school French. Some of our students ranked in the top 10% nationally. Starting in September the World Language Department integrated a new approach to assessment and grading that has a stronger focus on developing students' spontaneous and conversational speech.

One instructional approach that has been integrated in some Spanish classes that supports this is "flipping the classroom," where students are responsible

for becoming familiar with new vocabulary and other content at home through an online introduction, rather than in the classroom. With this approach more class time is spent on application and conversational tasks rather than presenting material. The results have been very positive.

The mission of the MVRHS Alternative Education program is *"to reflect values of the Island community through a self-directed, individualized, inquiry-based approach to learning"*, as well as to promote an engaging, hands-on experience where learning is celebrated and inquiry is an ongoing process. In an effort to fulfill this mission and enhance the educational experience of our students over the last year, we have worked on several multi-disciplinary projects within MVRHS and have traveled to and collaborated with the following groups /organizations: Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary, The Trustees of Reservation, MVTv, The Island Grown Initiative, Martha's Vineyard Community Services, The Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust, The FARM Institute, Goodales, Windemere, The Martha's Vineyard African American Heritage Trail, and Beetlebung Farm, to name just a few. We look forward to continuing our work with the above-named groups and expanding this list to include others in the future.

Over the past school year, the MVRHS Special Education Department has put in place some changes that are having a significant impact on the implementation of special education support services in the school. The school year kicked off the opening of a new special education program that supports students with diagnosed emotional-based disabilities. The Therapeutic Support Program (TSP) started with a newly-hired special education teacher who comes to MVRHS with extensive experience in working with this population of students. In addition to the special education teacher, 4 Educational Support Personnel (ESP) were hired and a School Adjustment Counselor rounded out the team supporting TSP. The program started with eight students and grew to 12 by the end of the year. By providing therapeutic support to the students and working to address targeted behaviors, there has been a direct positive impact on school attendance and a reduction in the number of disciplinary incidences compared to the previous year.

The Special Education Department successfully piloted a Social Skills program to address students with disabilities who are impacted by deficits in social awareness and social functioning. One of the special education teachers in the department facilitated the pilot program and the implementation of a social skills curriculum that was taught to a select set of students.

The year 2013 was not unlucky for the MVRHS Athletic Department. We saw an increased number of athletes participating in athletics. In the fall we added a freshman field hockey team with 34 members. Last spring our girls' lacrosse program had numbers that will support a freshman team in 2014. We had an increase in girls playing soccer and we had 15 freshmen alone try out for golf. We were able to restart the cheerleading program in the fall. There



were many teams who found success in 2013. The boys' basketball team won the South Sectional only to lose in the State Semi-finals to the eventual winner, Danvers. The boys' and girls' hockey teams and girls' basketball teams once again qualified for state tournament play. We put into the record books our first year of varsity swimming last winter. In the spring our boys' and girls' tennis teams won the Eastern Athletic Conference title once again, with the boys' team repeating as Division III State Champions. The softball team also qualified for States. The sailing team continues to put out some of the most talented sailors in the state, as shown by very respectable finishes in regional and state meets. The boys' soccer team completed an undefeated regular season, 15-0-2, and won the EAC title, but lost in the second round of the State tournament. Cross country and track both had participants qualify for the State meet. Once again, the Island Cup returned to MVRHS with the 14-0 win over Nantucket. The shout-out win on Nantucket is the first time that has happened in the history of the rivalry.

In the Physical Education Department we experienced an increase of students who improved their cardiovascular condition through the performance of our updated core curriculum of fitness. The enhancements moved our curriculum toward national standards of physical fitness and we modified our lessons, activities, and student challenges. Increasing numbers of our students experienced improved scores in both cardiovascular tests and strength tests. Our modifications included training methods, activities, and students having instant heart rate monitored during multiple stages of fitness lessons. Additionally, we implemented a daily student journal, which reinforced growth, goal setting regular monitoring, and included writing in the reflective segment of the journal. We continued our life-long fitness experiences with two popular elective courses, Personal Training and Sports Conditioning. Our community resource field trips to Felix Neck for kayaking, MV Arena for skating, YMCA for swimming, and biking on paths in the state forest compliment our program.

In health education, emphasis was placed on practicing skills on decision-making, goal-setting, refusal skills, and protective skills. This was accomplished by creating public service announcements shared within the school community. Invited guests to health class focused on outreach and advocacy to students in the areas of: reducing underage drinking and substance abuse; issues around dating relationships; nutrition from Farm to School staff; and nursing/medical professionals.

In the area of Vocational we saw our students, in partnership with the Y, construct a wonderful post and beam pavilion to host outdoor events. We have also introduced the beginnings of what we hope to be a very successful Nursing Program. Culinary, automotive, and horticulture continue to be successful by not only preparing our students for further employment and training opportunities, but in their continual work with the community as a whole.

In conclusion, our High School is alive, vibrant, and successful. We have attracted some wonderfully skilled new teachers, while our veterans provide a fine foundation for all we do. Our students have presented us with the highest SAT scores and Advanced Placement scores in the school's history. They have been extremely successful and competitive in national language testing and world-wide PISA testing in math, science, and ELA. We continue to place the highest percentage ever of students into 2-4 year schools, while maintaining a consistently low drop-out rate.

As a whole, Martha's Vineyard is a very special place to live and we are even more blessed to be the home of a very special high school.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Nixon, Ed.D.  
Principal  
Martha's Vineyard Regional High School

**REPORT OF THE  
MARTHA'S VINEYARD  
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICE OF THE TREASURER  
4 Pine Street  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568**

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January 27, 2014

To the Citizens of West Tisbury:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

Statement of Net Assets

Government Funds Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds – Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

General Funds - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances, Budget and Actual

Respectfully submitted,

Marylee Schroeder  
Treasurer

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,779,896
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	3,144,214
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	855,308
Due from Agency Fund	469,831
Total current assets	<u>6,249,249</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	874,901
Capital assets not being depreciated	179,744
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>14,319,898</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>15,374,543</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><b>21,623,792</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities:	
Warrants Payable	980,769
Accrued payroll	968,777
Other liabilities	43,426
Compensated absences	27,726
Short-term notes payable	850,000
Wastewater connection payable	29,560
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>890,000</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>3,790,258</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Compensated absences	249,537
Net OPEB obligation	6,880,582
Wastewater connection payable	384,267
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>2,285,000</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>9,799,386</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u><b>13,589,644</b></u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	13,124,696
Restricted for:	
Other specific purposes	328,443
Unrestricted	<u>(5,418,991)</u>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<u><b>\$ 8,034,148</b></u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET**

**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>General</b>	<b>High School Roof Repair</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,183,238	\$ -	\$ 596,658	\$ 1,779,896
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:				
Intergovernmental	1,730,209	-	-	1,730,209
Due from Agency Fund	469,831	-	-	469,831
Restricted assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	-	2,650,054	494,160	3,144,214
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>3,383,278</u>	<u>2,650,054</u>	<u>1,090,818</u>	<u>7,124,150</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>				
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Warrants Payable	239,722	725,093	15,954	980,769
Accrued payroll	885,512	-	83,265	968,777
Other liabilities	43,427	-	-	43,427
Deferred revenues	1,730,209	-	-	1,730,209
Short-term notes payable	-	850,000	-	850,000
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>2,898,870</u>	<u>1,575,093</u>	<u>99,219</u>	<u>4,573,182</u>

	General	High School Roof Repair	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Restricted	-	1,074,961	503,406	1,578,367
Committed	50,000	-	590,597	640,597
Assigned	66,036	-	-	66,036
Unassigned	368,372	-	(102,404)	265,968
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>484,408</u>	<u>1,074,961</u>	<u>991,599</u>	<u>2,550,968</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 3,383,278</u>	<u>\$ 2,650,054</u>	<u>\$ 1,090,818</u>	<u>\$ 7,124,150</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>High School Roof Repair</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
Member town assessments	\$ 13,589,025	\$	-	\$ 13,589,025
User fees	655,749		485,541	1,141,290
Intergovernmental:				
State Aid-foundation	2,720,400		-	2,720,400
State Aid-transportation	313,545		-	313,545
State Aid-school construction reimbursement	881,813		-	881,813
State Aid-charter school assessment reimbursement	44,965		-	44,965
State Aid-circuit breaker	-		217,816	217,816
Other state and federal grants	1,975,766		1,412,229	3,387,995
Departmental Receipts	18,352		29,252	47,604
Contributions and donations	-		3,804	3,804
Investment income	19,638	54	801	20,493
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>20,219,253</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>2,149,443</u>	<u>22,368,750</u>

	<u>General</u>	<u>High School Roof Repair</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	4,660,823		377,311	5,038,134
Special Education	2,323,093		844,974	3,168,067
Vocational	390,886		62,882	453,768
Other	79,068		9,456	88,524
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,551,250		169,751	1,721,001
Instructional	330,487		184,389	514,876
Administration	1,605,062		18,143	1,623,205
Business	82,803		-	82,803
Building and grounds	1,181,965	725,093	255,690	2,162,748
Transportation	1,198,802		-	1,198,802
Food	-		339,647	339,647
Community services	-		170,857	170,857
Pension benefits	2,288,905		-	2,288,905
Employee benefits	2,677,387		-	2,677,387
Property and liability insurance	269,317		-	269,317
State Assessment				
Charter school	765,033		-	765,033



	General	High School Roof Repair	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Debt service-principal	1,165,000		-	1,165,000
Debt service-interest	99,175		-	99,175
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>20,669,056</u>	<u>725,093</u>	<u>2,433,100</u>	<u>23,827,249</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(449,803)</u>	<u>(725,039)</u>	<u>(283,657)</u>	<u>(1,458,499)</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>				
Transfers in	12,263	-	262,350	274,613
Proceeds of bonds and notes	-	\$1,800,000	-	1,800,000
Transfers out	<u>(262,350)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(12,263)</u>	<u>(274,613)</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(250,087)</u>	<u>\$1,800,000</u>	<u>250,087</u>	<u>1,800,000</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>(699,890)</b>	<b>1,074,961</b>	<b>(33,570)</b>	<b>341,501</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year</b>	<b>1,184,298</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,025,169</b>	<b>2,209,467</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, End of year</b>	<b>\$ 484,408</b>	<b>\$ 1,074,961</b>	<b>\$ 991,599</b>	<b>\$ 2,550,968</b>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
GENERAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES,  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
<b>REVENUES</b>								
Member town assessments	\$ -	\$ 13,589,025	\$ -	\$ 13,589,025	\$ 13,589,025	\$ -	\$ 13,589,025	\$ -
User fees	-	626,250	-	626,250	655,749	-	655,749	29,499
Intergovernmental:								
State Aid-foundation	-	2,691,760	-	2,691,760	2,720,400	-	2,720,400	28,640
State Aid-transportation	-	288,883	-	288,883	313,545	-	313,545	24,662
State Aid-school construction reimbursement	-	881,813	-	881,813	881,813	-	881,813	-
State Aid-charter school assessment reimbursement	-	209,309	-	209,309	44,965	-	44,965	(164,344)
Departmental Receipts	-	14,800	-	14,800	18,352	-	18,352	3,552
Investment income	-	25,000	-	25,000	19,638	-	19,638	(5,362)
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	-	18,326,840	-	18,326,840	18,243,487	-	18,243,487	(83,353)
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
Current:								
Instruction:								
Regular	4,082	4,693,990	-	4,698,072	4,660,823	695	4,661,518	36,554
Special Education	-	1,998,790	-	1,998,790	2,323,093	14,293	2,337,386	(338,596)
Vocational	2,444	391,534	-	393,978	390,886	-	390,886	3,092
Other	582	85,824	-	86,406	79,068	257	79,325	7,081

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
Support Services:								
Pupil	4,046	1,558,844	-	1,562,890	1,551,250	2,465	1,553,715	9,175
Instructional	1,375	339,282	-	340,657	330,487	420	330,907	9,750
Administration	3,393	1,635,064	-	1,638,457	1,605,062	4,238	1,609,300	29,157
Business	-	95,000	-	95,000	82,803	-	82,803	12,197
Building and grounds	38,719	1,255,013	-	1,293,732	1,181,965	43,418	1,225,383	68,349
Transportation	255	1,199,447	-	1,199,702	1,198,802	250	1,199,052	650
Pension benefits	-	409,803	-	409,803	313,139	-	313,139	96,664
Employee benefits	-	2,301,174	402,704	2,703,878	2,677,387	-	2,677,387	26,491
Property and liability insurance	-	273,741	-	273,741	269,317	-	269,317	4,424
State Assessment								
Charter school	-	825,159	-	825,159	765,033	-	765,033	60,126
Debt service-principal	-	1,165,000	-	1,165,000	1,165,000	-	1,165,000	-
Debt service-interest	-	99,175	-	99,175	99,175	-	99,175	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	54,896	18,326,840	402,704	18,784,440	18,693,290	66,036	18,759,326	25,114
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	(54,896)	-	(402,704)	(457,600)	(449,803)	(66,036)	(515,839)	(58,239)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>								
Transfers in	-	-	(262,350)	(262,350)	\$ 12,263	-	12,263	\$ 12,263
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	(262,350)	-	(262,350)	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	(262,350)	(262,350)	(250,087)	-	(250,087)	12,263
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	(54,896)	-	(665,054)	(719,950)	(699,890)	(66,036)	(765,926)	(45,976)
<b>FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year</b>	1,184,298	1,184,298	1,184,298	1,184,298	1,184,298	1,184,298	1,184,298	-
<b>FUND BALANCE, End of year</b>	\$ 1,129,402	\$ 1,184,298	\$ 519,244	\$ 464,348	\$ 484,408	\$ 1,118,262	\$ 418,372	\$ (45,976)

## **REPORT OF THE CHILMARK SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

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James Weiss, Ed. D.  
Superintendent of Schools  
4 Pine Street  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss:

The 2013 academic year at the Chilmark School was a productive, and an exciting year. We grew again this year to 62 students. Our new students quickly learned the ropes, made friends and became valued members of the Chilmark School. The multi-age classroom model continues to work best for our students and allows for maximum differentiation of curriculum. We enjoy many activities involving the whole school on Friday afternoons, where students of various ages pair up and work together to learn and complete activities. This gives the older students the opportunity to be leaders, and helps to successfully include all ages in any activity that is planned.

Our focus on project-based learning ensures that the students are constantly engaged in active learning. We provide a curriculum that is academically and artistically challenging, while continuing to promote 21st century skills. Our goal is to develop well-rounded students who love to learn, while providing them with life-long skills that will enable them to live responsibly in an ever-changing world.

This year we have one K/1 class, two 2/3 classes and one 4/5 class. Jennifer Passafiume was added as the new teacher for the additional 2/3, joining Gretchen Snyder who was added last year as our permanent 2/3 teacher. Doug Pease was added as our additional 2/3 assistant to work with Jen. New this year is our school lunch program. We are serving “hot” school lunches that are prepared at the West Tisbury School cafeteria, and then delivered and served in our building. It is great to have warm, healthy lunches every day.

Our teachers are focusing on writing this year. They are working together reviewing the Lucy Calkins writing program, and using the grading rubrics to determine if students are making progress in their writing. The entire faculty is working together at least once a month to be sure that we are all “grading” writing in a similar manner. We are already seeing improvements.

Our continued participation in “MusicWorks! Everyday”, developed by the Cape Cod Symphony, is teaching our students how to listen to and enjoy a musical selection every morning. Members of the Cape Cod Symphony visited our school and performed for the students and they were able to enjoy a live performance. We went bowling and utilized our math skills to keep score and

to estimate how we would do on the lanes. We continued using the following computer programs, Lexia for reading, and “Aleks” and “Symphony Math”, for math and all of these reinforce the core curriculum in the learning of grade level skills.

Many traditions make our school special, starting with the 4/5 outdoor education week of sailing. This year our students again traveled on the Alabama, and really got to sail. They visited Marion, Boston by way of the Cape Cod Canal, and Provincetown. They threw messages in a bottle overboard, and had several “finder” write back. Our K/1 class and our 2/3 classes continue their monthly visits to Windemere. The K/1 students do a short performance and the 2/3 students meet with the patients and share island photos. The residents seem to really look forward to the students’ visits each month. In November, we held the Turkey Trot, the last day before Thanksgiving Break; students participate in a run and then enjoy a story and lunch of “Stone Soup”. During the 2nd half of the year we had the May Day celebration and students learned and performed the May Pole Dance. At the end of May we visited the Menemsha Coast Guard Station for Memorial Day and threw flowers in the water in remembrance of soldiers who served our country. We continued our newest tradition of “Community Lunches” at the Chilmark Community Center. One Friday each season, our students go to the Chilmark Community Center for a “formal” lunch. Six students join the chef before lunch and help him prepare the food, and parent volunteers set the tables. Everyone enjoys locally grown, healthy foods for lunch. After eating, students return to school to participate in whole school activities. Our favorite Community Lunch was in June when we were joined by the Vineyard Sound (an all male acapella group). A member of the group sat at each table so students were able to ask questions and get to know them. They performed for us after lunch, but the best treat was returning to school and working in small groups to learn a “Vineyard Sound” song. The whole school came together at the end of the day and performed a rendition of the doo--wop song. It certainly wasn’t the same beautiful blend of sounds that they create, but it was a great deal of fun! Our final tradition was the third and fourth graders, who spent a day kayaking together so they could start learning about each other before they become the new 4/5 class. We love traditions and how they foster so much community involvement and excitement!

#### **Professional Development**

- Our faculty continues to participate in Professional Learning communities specific to their grade/academic interests.
- Our staff continues to work with a variety of data, analyzing it and using it to drive instruction.
- All staff continues to use Responsive Classroom techniques.
- Staff completed MCAS templates and looked at data and utilized the results to improve instruction. (more grammar instruction, especially punctuation)

- Teachers received training on the new teacher evaluation system.
- The faculty began training in the use of Google Docs.
- The staff was trained in Brain Frames and Lucy Calkins Writing.

### **Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

Our K/1 class started the year learning about each other, and practiced making new friends. They made kites representing their hopes and dreams for the New Year. Their first science unit was the study of butterflies, including the 4 stages of metamorphosis. They made egg crate caterpillars. They also started their visits to Letterland. Letterland is a fun place, but beneath that fun is a systematic and structured course of learning letters, sounds and eventually words. In math, they started learning numbers, one to one correspondence and practice with larger numbers and place value. A visit to Felix Neck started a unit about animals and how they adapt in the winter. Next was the study of habitats with a focus on plants, animals and terrains. The study of weather led to a unit on the water cycle. In the spring, gardening started a unit on worms, frogs and turtles. The students finished the year with a “research” fair about frogs and turtles. It was great to see how much the students were able to share about their chosen animal.

The 2/3 began their year learning about each other. Math and language arts units are woven into all of the science and social studies topics throughout the year. The theme for the year was MV, Then and Now, and it started with a trip to the MV Museum with a study of Wampanoag life ways. At Felix Neck they learned about pond ecology. A rock cycle unit preceded their visit to the Menemsha Hills. The next unit on energy included all forms of energy, including: potential, kinetic, chemical, nuclear, radiant, thermal, electrical and sound. They finished out the year with the development of a timeline of events including information on Grey’s Raid, and the importance of many famous Americans.

The 4/5 started their year publishing and editing journal entries from captain’s logs, after their weeklong journey aboard the tall ship Alabama. They went right into “math boot camp” to learn all about math fact families. In social studies, they began a unit on American History with a trip to Plimoth Plantation. The unit on exploration started with the Vikings and then moved on to European explorers. They finished the year with World Geography and then the study of the 13 colonies, including a trip to the Freedom Trail. Their final projects were a puppet show on “The Liberty Pole Legend” and a Colonial Fair to share all they had learned with the school community.

I have highlighted the main areas of study, but in project-based learning all subjects are included in each unit, so all subjects become more relevant to the students. We feel that this type of learning is more meaningful to the students and helps them retain the information longer. Our students learned a great deal of information this year. We hope you will take the time to come visit and see all the learning that is going on. You are welcome anytime.

## **MCAS**

### **Student Performance**

MCAS 2013 Results:

Student performance was good overall.

The Chilmark School, with its smaller student population, does not often meet the DESE data reporting requirements. However, the staff continues to analyze and assess student progress and focuses on the areas of the curriculum that need strengthening.

### **Community Success**

Our school success is made possible by the commitment and dedication of the staff. These talented individuals work together as a team to meet the needs of all students. Curriculums are differentiated for each student's needs and all staff work together to make each child a successful learner. The school community, especially the parent body, the UIRSD School Committee and our local businesses, participate to make the Chilmark School a true community success. I would like to thank everyone for all of the work they put in to help us build a foundation for our students and to ensure their success in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Stevens  
Head of School

## Chilmark School Students 2012-2013

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### Kindergarten

Elizabeth Chavtal	Katherine Chavtal	Laila Fenner
Hayden Higgins	Katalena Hume	Rodeo Purves-Langer
Charlotte Scott	Billie Shephard	Aneecya Willis

### 1st Grade

Axel Abrams	Clara Athearn	Laina Benoit
Kestutis Biskis	Oisin McVey	Peter Miller
William Miller	Yossi Monahan	Sam Zack

### 2nd Grade

Elliott Berz	Christian Carroll	Aiyana Correia
Adrienne Christy	Eloise Christy	Annalee Cingle-Hoy
Cali Giglio	Jacob Glasgow	Allie Keefe
Ella Keene	Jack Lionette	Iesha Mayberry
Declan McCarthy	Clyde Smith	

### 3rd Grade

Silas Abrams	Tegan Fenner	Katelyn Goldsmith
Latham Higgins	William Mayberry	Adam Miller
Tristan Scott	Tyler Shipway	Atlas Zack

### 4th Grade

Brooks Carroll	Noah Glasgow	Manasha Leport
Kiera McCarthy	Finley Monahan	Claire Nichols
Imogen Taylor	Isabella Thorpe	

### 5th Grade

Madia Bellebuono	Dashiell Christy	Kieran Karabees
Thea Keene	Adam Knight	Cary More-Straton
Benjamin Taylor		



## **Chilmark School Staff 2012-2013**

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### **Full Time Staff:**

Principal/Head of School	Susan Stevens
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#### Teachers:

K/1	Robin Smith
2/3	Gretchen Snyder
2/3	Jennifer Passafiume
4/5	Jackie Guzalak

#### Educational support Professionals:

K/1	Eleanor Neubert
2/3	Celeste Drouin
2/3	Doug Pease
4/5	Mariah MacGregor

Head Custodian:	Lisa Nichols
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### **Part Time Staff:**

School Secretary (85%)	Mary Ambulos
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#### Specialists:

Special Education (80%)	Jill Rosenkranz
Music (20%) Reading (30%)	Liz Bradley
Instrumental Music (10%)	Ruth Scudere-Chapman
Physical Education (20%)	Channon Capra
Art (20%)	Kathleen Cameron
Spanish (20%)	Theresa Holmes
Guidance Counselor (20%)	Joan Rice
Computer coordinator (30%)	Rebecca Barca-Tinnus
School Nurse (20%)	Janice Brown

## REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY SCHOOL

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James Weiss, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
4 Pine Street  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss:

It is with great pleasure that I report to you about the West Tisbury School's year. 2013 was a year of many staffing changes. After many dedicated years of service, Valerie Becker, Fran Finnigan, and Patricia Kelly, three extraordinary educators, retired. We were deeply saddened by the loss of our middle school science teacher Carol Petkus, who gave many years of service as both a teacher and coach. Additionally, several other staff members left for other career opportunities, including Michael Halt, who led the school successfully for several years. We also eliminated the multi-age model in the first and second grade and restructured staffing in the elementary level. Finding replacements for so many positions was certainly a challenge, but I am happy to report that we have met that challenge and the results have already been significant.

Newly hired teachers include the following:

Laura Edelman	Industrial Technology
Robyn Gurney	Special Education
Katy (Maciel) Kurth	1st Grade
Alan Mahoney	Instructional Technology
Zoe Turcotte	Science
Tessa Wall	1st Grade
Amy Wallace	Language Arts

Other staff hires include the following:

Suzanne Cosgrove	One-on-One ESP
Peter Forrester	ESP & Language Arts Long Term Substitute
Sonny Levins	Head Custodian
Sean McGowen	6th Grade ESP
Joseph Nicklow	4th Grade ESP
Andrew Reed	Custodian
Nicole Shirley	One-on-One ESP
Jamie Thigpen	One-on-One ESP

Additionally, we were able to hire two grant-funded, part time Educational Support Personnel:

Cara Lane	Kindergarten ESP
Patti Poole	Kindergarten ESP

Along with these changes in staff, there are several other changes at the West Tisbury School this year. In addition to continuing to implement the new educator evaluation system, we have identified and are piloting District Determined Measures that will be used along with state assessments to measure student growth and achievement. We have also been selected to field test a Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers Performance Based Assessment that evaluates student achievement of the new Common Core Standards, college and career readiness pathway skills, critical-thinking and problem-solving skills, and communication skills.

Our students have consistently performed well on both state and local assessments. We continue to be a Level 1 School for 2013, the highest performance rating as determined by the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). Our students also received awards for their performances on the courts and fields, on stage, in the technology lab, in their classrooms, and in the community. Although this is all impressive, it is perhaps witnessing the learning that is happening at the West Tisbury School on a daily basis that is the most noteworthy and a joy to witness.

We also completed a Coordinated Program Review by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education that looks at requirements in three areas, i.e. special education, civil rights and other general education requirements, and English learner education. This review identified many areas of strength and a few areas of needed improvement. We have developed and begun to implement an action plan to address these few areas and expect to have all requirements met by March 2014.

Our School Advisory Council is hard at work on the three school improvement goals they identified for the current school year in areas of student achievement, communication, and wellness. Steady progress is being made on all three goals, and this progress to date indicates that we are on track to meet our projected schedule. As part of the wellness goal, we will be piloting a six-week yoga-in-the-classroom program throughout the entire school this spring. This program will provide students with strategies for improved focus and attention along with other potential benefits.

The Parent-Teacher Organization has taken on the challenge of beginning to raise funds to upgrade our school playground. The playground is both well loved and heavily utilized not only during school hours, but also after school and in the summer months. The current playground, however, is showing its wear and will be in need of replacement in the next couple of years.

A quote from Nelson Mandela that comes to mind as I think about the upcoming year is, "After climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many hills to climb." This is particularly fitting, as even with our current success, we are continually asking questions, examining data, planning, and taking steps to ensure continuous improvement. Although these challenges might be daunting to some, our school community is filled with great energy

and commitment to excellence and is resolute as it reaches a pinnacle and sees the next mountain ahead. Volunteers, parents, community members, organizations, and businesses partner with us to assist in the climb to our next goal. Our students consistently remind us of the importance of the climb and always make the journey more enjoyable. West Tisbury School is a unique place, and I look forward to ensuring it remains that way for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lowell-Bettencourt  
Principal, West Tisbury School

**REPORT OF THE  
UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD**

4 Pine Street  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568  
(508) 693-2007 Fax (508) 693-3190

January 27, 2014

To the Citizens of West Tisbury:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Up-Island Regional School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.  
Statement of Net Assets

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds – Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

General Funds - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances, Budget and Actual

Respectfully submitted,

Marylee Schroeder  
Treasurer

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b><u>Governmental Activities</u></b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,400,962
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	<u>356,372</u>
Total current assets	1,757,334
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>1,879,910</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>3,637,244</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities	
Warrants Payable	481,166
Accrued payroll	451,019
Other Liabilities	17,648
Compensated absences	9,018
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>150,000</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>1,108,851</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Compensated absences	81,158
Net OPED obligation	2,094,402
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>1,200,000</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>3,375,560</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b><u>4,484,411</u></b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	529,910
Restricted for:	
School Choice	239,017
Other specific purposes	83,264
Unrestricted	<u>(1,699,358)</u>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ (847,167)</u></b>

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

	General	School Choice	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,400,962	\$ -	\$ 596,658	\$ 1,400,962
Restricted Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	-	239,017	117,355	356,372
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>1,400,962</u>	<u>239,017</u>	<u>117,355</u>	<u>1,757,334</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>				
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Warrants Payable	453,779	-	27,387	481,166
Accrued payroll	444,315	-	6,704	451,019
Other liabilities	17,648	-	-	17,648
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>915,742</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,091</u>	<u>949,833</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Restricted	-	239,017	83,264	322,281
Committed	172,000	-	-	172,000
Assigned	3,205	-	-	3,205
Unassigned	310,015	-	-	310,015
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>485,220</u>	<u>239,017</u>	<u>83,264</u>	<u>807,501</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 1,400,962</u>	<u>\$ 239,017</u>	<u>\$ 117,355</u>	<u>\$ 1,757,334</u>

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>General</b>	<b>School Choice</b>	<b>West Tisbury School Construction</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Member town assessments	\$ 8,730,751	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ 8,730,751
User fees	-	-	-	72,498	73,498
Intergovernmental				-	
State aid-foundation	795,572	-	-	-	795,572
State aid-transportation	182,249	-	-	-	182,249
State aid - charter school assessment reimbursement	80,696	-	-	-	80,696
Federal aid - impact aid	10,834	-	-	-	10,834
Other state and federal grants	755,633	279,351	-	128,114	1,163,098
Department and other	2,522	-	-	-	2,522
Contributions and donations	-	-	-	1,350	1,350
Investment Income	7,778	-	-	-	7,778
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>10,566,035</b>	<b>279,351</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>201,962</b>	<b>11,047,348</b>



	General	School Choice	West Tisbury School Construction	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	2,540,836	217,562	-	-	2,758,398
Special Education	1,160,779	-	-	21,559	1,182,338
Other	53,099	-	-	5,323	58,422
Support Services:					
Pupil	682,672	-	-	-	682,672
Instructional	215,999	-	-	29,137	245,136
Administrative	1,041,222	-	-	-	1,041,222
Business	54,149	-	-	-	54,149
Building and grounds	708,591	-	-	-	708,591
Transportation	251,390	-	-	-	251,390
Food	1,488	-	-	265,964	267,452
Rent	378,804	-	-	-	378,804
Pension benefits	900,691	-	-	-	900,691
Employee Benefits	1,247,466	-	-	-	1,247,466
Property and liability insurance	118,517	-	-	-	118,517
State Assessments:					
Charter School	837,889	-	-	-	837,889
School Choice	102,911	-	-	-	102,911
Debt Service - principal	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
Debt Service - interest	30,563	-	-	-	30,563
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>10,477,066</b>	<b>217,562</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>321,983</b>	<b>11,016,611</b>

	General	School Choice	West Tisbury School Construction	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	88,969	61,789	-	(120,021)	30,737
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Transfers in	37,500	-	4,726	175,600	217,826
Transfers out	(180,326)	(37,500)	-	-	(217,826)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	(142,826)	(37,500)	4,726	175,600	-
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	(53,857)	24,289	4,726	55,579	30,737
<b>FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year</b>	539,077	214,728	(4,726)	27,685	776,764
<b>FUND BALANCE , End of year</b>	\$485,220	\$ 239,017	\$ -	\$ 83,264	\$ 807,501

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GENERAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES,  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
<b>REVENUES</b>								
Member town assessments	\$ -	\$ 8,739,402	\$ (10,834)	\$ 8,728,568	\$ 8,730,751	\$ -	\$ 8,730,751	\$ 2,183
Intergovernmental								
State aid-foundation		781,612	-	781,612	795,572	-	795,572	13,960
State aid-transportation		175,701	-	175,701	182,249	-	182,249	6,548
State aid - charter school assessment reimbursement	59,338	-	59,338	80,696	-	80,696	21,358	-
Federal aid - impact aid		-	10,834	10,834	10,834	-	10,834	-
Investment Income		10,000	-	10,000	7,778	-	7,778	(2,222)
Departmental and other		3,500	-	3,500	2,522	-	2,522	(978)
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	-	9,769,553	-	9,769,553	9,810,402	-	9,810,402	40,849

**EXPENDITURES**

Current:								
Instruction:								
Regular		2,527,848	37,500	2,565,348	2,540,836	-	2,540,836	24,512
Special Education		1,199,475	-	1,199,475	1,160,779	-	1,160,779	38,696
Other		56,581	-	56,581	53,099	-	53,099	3,482
Support Services:								
Pupil		692,048	-	692,048	682,672	-	682,672	9,376
Instructional		217,849	-	217,849	215,999	-	215,999	1,850
Administrative		1,063,048	-	1,063,048	1,041,222	-	1,041,222	21,826

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
Business		56,931	-	56,931	54,149	-	54,149	2,782
Building and grounds	320	725,112	-	725,432	708,591	3,205	711,796	13,636
Transportation		253,762	-	253,762	251,390	-	251,390	2,372
Food		4,200	-	4,200	1,488	-	1,488	2,712
Rent		378,804	-	378,804	378,804	-	378,804	-
Pension benefits		145,077	-	145,077	145,058	-	145,058	19
Employee Benefits		1,218,887	100,000	1,318,887	1,247,466	-	1,247,466	71,421
Property and liability insurance		119,558	-	119,558	118,517	-	118,517	1,041
State Assessments:								
Charter School		772,410	-	772,410	837,889	-	837,889	(65,479)
School Choice		171,800	-	171,800	102,911	-	102,911	68,889
Debt service - principal		150,000	-	150,000	150,000	-	150,000	-
Debt service - interest		30,563	-	30,563	30,563	-	30,563	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	320	9,783,953	137,500	9,921,773	9,721,433	3,205	9,724,638	197,135
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	(320)	(14,400)	(137,500)	(152,220)	88,969	(3,205)	85,764	237,984
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>								
Transfers in		-	37,500	37,500	37,500	-	37,500	-
Transfers out		(175,600)	(4,726)	(180,326)	(180,326)	-	(180,326)	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	-	(175,600)	32,774	(142,826)	(142,826)	-	(142,826)	-
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	(320)	(190,000)	(104,726)	(295,046)	(53,857)	(3,205)	(57,062)	237,984
<b>FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year</b>	539,077	539,077	539,077	539,077	539,077	539,077	539,077	-
<b>FUND BALANCE, End of year</b>	538,757	\$ 349,077	\$ 434,351	\$ 244,031	\$ 485,220	\$ 535,872	\$ 482,015	\$ 237,984

## **REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL**

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### **Director's Report**

The 2012-2013 School Year was highlighted by a number of curriculum initiatives undertaken by the professional staff, implementation of the Professional Evaluation process, professional development institutes, and the largest high school graduation class in school history.

The teachers and administration committed time and resources towards professional development in math. Specifically, the school fully implemented the Singapore Math program. Five teachers attended a Singapore Math Institute at Worcester State University and the school hired a Singapore Math consultant to work with teachers in the classroom setting. And the teachers fully imbedded the Core Curriculum into their units of study. The teachers and administration began the first year implementation of the DESE professional evaluation protocol. All members of the staff were involved in workshops on Bullying and the school's Bullying Policy, and most staff members took a 6-hour course in Crisis Prevention Intervention.

The school's two Project Period sessions introduced the students to a camping trip to Maine, Robotics and Botball, Physical Fitness and Exercise, and our annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Italy. The Project Period exhibitions of the students' work illustrate the creativity and ingenuity of the teachers and students. The school had a successful 2<sup>nd</sup> annual fall "Student Showcase Evening" where parents and community members came to see each classroom and students exhibiting their work. This informative evening gave parents an opportunity to see the work being performed throughout the school.

The school graduated twelve seniors, the school's largest graduating class to date, and six of the graduates are continuing their studies at institutions of higher education including Westfield State University, Fitchburg State University, Johnson and Wales University, Warren Wilson College, and Bryant University.

The Martha's Vineyard Public Charter School continues to assess and re-evaluate all aspects of the school's program as indicated by the initiatives engaged in this year to best serve the school community.

Robert M. Moore  
Director  
July 9, 2013

## **REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

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To the Voters and Taxpayers

	Collected
Fiscal 2014 Real Estate	6,107,780.02
Fiscal 2013 Real Estate	6,899,311.05
Fiscal 2013 Personal Property	170,662.75
Other Years Real Estate and Personal Property	38,111.98
2013 Motor Vehicle Excise	473,307.22
2012 Motor Vehicle Excise	22,786.07
Other Years Motor Vehicle Excise	10,695.65
 TOTAL	 \$13,722,654.74

Respectfully submitted,

Brent B. Taylor  
Collector

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

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To the Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit my Annual Report for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 and Appropriations for the period July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

This Annual Report consists of the following subsequent reports:

- 1) Revenue and Expenditures of the General Fund compared to budget for the year ended June 30, 2013
- 2) Activity including receipts and expenditures of all other town funds for the year ended June 30, 2013
- 3) Payments to Vendors in excess of \$2,000 and All Employees during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013
- 4) Appropriation Analysis for fiscal year 2013
- 5) Combined Balance Sheet showing all funds as of June 30, 2013
- 6) Report of Balance Sheet accounts for all funds as of June 30, 2013
- 7) Schedule of Debt Outstanding as of June 30, 2013
- 8) Summary of Appropriation Accounts for the period July 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013

All reports included are pending final audit.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce K. Stone

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**General Fund**  
**Revenue and Expenditures vs Budget**  
**July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Under (Over) Budget</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
Tax Revenue			
Real Estate Tax	12,373,210.68	12,244,249.19	(128,961.49)
Personal Property Tax	173,542.10	174,470.37	928.27
Tax Liens Redeemed	72,456.14	0.00	(72,456.14)
Vessel Excise	217.10	1,200.00	982.90
Penalties & Interest	96,945.71	90,000.00	(6,945.71)
Motor Vehicle Excise	451,746.36	450,000.00	(1,746.36)
In Lieu of Taxes	2,050.90	1,000.00	(1,050.90)
Sub-total : Tax Revenue	13,170,168.99	12,960,919.56	(209,249.43)
Fines & Forfeits			
Fines & Forfeits	4,730.54	7,000.00	2,269.46
Sub-total : Fines & Forfeits	4,730.54	7,000.00	2,269.46
Departmental Revenues			
Other Dept Revenue	281,559.91	217,000.00	(64,559.91)
Park & Recreation	67,260.00	59,000.00	(8,260.00)
Inspections	50,480.00	40,000.00	(10,480.00)
Rentals	45,121.08	45,000.00	(121.08)
Sub-total : Departmental Revenues	444,420.99	361,000.00	(83,420.99)
Licenses & Permits			
Licenses	12,395.50	8,000.00	(4,395.50)
Permits	57,329.90	52,000.00	(5,329.90)
Sub-total : Licenses & Permits	69,725.40	60,000.00	(9,725.40)
State Revenue			
School Construction Reimbursement	236,921.00	236,921.00	0.00
Cherry Sheet	889,589.00	889,000.00	(589.00)
CMVI	2,162.50	0.00	(2,162.50)
Miscellaneous	348.00	0.00	(348.00)
Veterans Benefits	7,801.00	8,649.00	848.00
Sub-total : State Revenue	1,136,821.50	1,134,570.00	(2,251.50)
Intermunicipal Revenue			
Council on Aging	125,365.56	128,824.00	3,458.44
Sub-total : Intermunicipal Revenue	125,365.56	128,824.00	3,458.44
Miscellaneous			
Miscellaneous	65,057.87	22,000.00	(43,057.87)
Bond Premium	41,210.64	0.00	(41,210.64)
Sub-total : Miscellaneous	106,268.51	22,000.00	(84,268.51)
Investment			
Investment	10,080.91	15,000.00	4,919.09
Sub-total : Investment	10,080.91	15,000.00	4,919.09
Transfers In			
From Trust Funds	314,000.00	314,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Transfers In	314,000.00	314,000.00	0.00
<b>Total : REVENUE</b>	<b>15,381,582.40</b>	<b>15,003,313.56</b>	<b>(378,268.84)</b>



	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
<b>FY 2013 Appropriations/Budget</b>			
General Government			
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00	370.00	0.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	675.00	970.00	295.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	10,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Pers Serv	134,384.38	134,437.08	52.70
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	20,884.64	24,100.00	3,215.36
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	798.67	2,203.95	1,405.28
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	902.00	2,225.00	1,323.00
132-5700 Reserve Fund	0.00	5,057.20	5,057.20
133-5300 Annual Audit	10,450.00	11,000.00	550.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	80,935.40	80,935.40	0.00
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,482.29	1,570.00	87.71
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	126,790.49	127,462.42	671.93
141-5305 Assessors Legal	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	14,023.00	20,200.00	6,177.00
145-5110 Treasurer Salaries	74,980.18	74,980.18	0.00
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	2,525.01	4,800.00	2,274.99
146-5110 Collector Salaries	77,207.31	77,207.31	0.00
146-5700 Collector Expenses	16,616.26	17,760.00	1,143.74
151-5305 Legal	41,167.85	65,000.00	23,832.15
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	3,734.19	8,743.28	5,009.09
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	178.67	800.00	621.33
155-5120 Data Proc Pers Serv	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	56,726.59	65,492.00	8,765.41
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	10,657.20	12,850.00	2,192.80
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	0.00	150.00	150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	43,628.00	43,628.00	0.00
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	419.50	1,755.00	1,335.50
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	2,086.50	2,300.00	213.50
162-5700 Elections Expenses	4,789.64	7,700.00	2,910.36
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00	250.00	0.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	985.00	1,085.00	100.00
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	40,435.96	42,276.50	1,840.54
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	1,870.49	3,350.00	1,479.51
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	48,544.41	53,771.42	5,227.01
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	2,701.31	5,631.00	2,929.69
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	57,385.98	58,990.46	1,604.48
176-5305 ZBA Legal	1,182.50	4,000.00	2,817.50
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	1,892.63	2,290.00	397.37
177-5600 MV Commission	107,373.00	107,373.00	0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	5,171.51	5,220.00	48.49
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	321.09	550.00	228.91
179-5305 AHC Legal	517.92	3,000.00	2,482.08
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	64,191.00	64,228.00	37.00
193-5700 Property Insurance	62,500.00	62,500.00	0.00
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	4,990.00	6,200.00	1,210.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	0.00	250.00	250.00
Sub-total : General Government	1,148,225.57	1,271,162.20	122,936.63

	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
Public Safety			
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	841,476.61	863,512.36	22,035.75
210-5700 Police Expenses	116,416.57	121,600.00	5,183.43
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	89,020.00	108,800.00	19,780.00
220-5700 Fire Expenses	160,775.11	164,800.00	4,024.89
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	180,551.42	180,551.42	0.00
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	114,024.26	114,024.26	0.00
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	2,224.43	3,695.00	1,470.57
291-5120 Emer Mgmt Pers Serv	7,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00
291-5700 Emergency Management	3,614.47	4,265.00	650.53
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	55,058.63	58,315.72	3,257.09
292-5700 ACO Expenses	7,041.46	10,450.00	3,408.54
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Expenses	1,120.00	1,200.00	80.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	9,825.00	10,000.00	175.00
296-5700 Dutch Elm Disease	800.00	1,000.00	200.00
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	875.00	1,000.00	125.00
298-5120 Shellfish Dept Pers Serv	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
298-5700 Shellfish Dept Expenses	1,825.39	3,650.00	1,824.61
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	33,000.00	33,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	1,632,148.35	1,695,363.76	63,215.41
Education			
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	6,005,234.13	6,005,234.13	0.00
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,559,004.90	2,559,004.90	0.00
Sub-total : Education	8,564,239.03	8,564,239.03	0.00
Public Works			
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Serv	17,000.00	17,000.00	0.00
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	71,970.24	72,005.28	35.04
422-5700 Highway Expenses	57,066.44	58,250.00	1,183.56
423-5700 Snow & Ice	86,588.21	40,000.00	(46,588.21)
424-5700 Street Lights	5,671.12	7,000.00	1,328.88
Sub-total : Public Works	238,296.01	194,255.28	(44,040.73)
Sanitation			
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	0.00	50.00	50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	33,685.41	46,000.00	12,314.59
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	1,443.75	3,400.00	1,956.25
439-5600 MVRDRRD Intergov	111,888.51	111,888.51	0.00
Sub-total : Sanitation	147,017.67	161,338.51	14,320.84
Health & Human Services			
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	1,885.00	2,500.00	615.00
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	10,662.80	18,350.00	7,687.20
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	80,074.03	80,304.26	230.23
510-5700 BOH Expenses	6,260.76	7,755.00	1,494.24
522-5700 Health Services	18,666.00	19,080.00	414.00
540-5700 M. V. Center for Living	38,181.28	38,181.28	0.00
541-5120 UpIsland COA Per Serv	194,214.66	209,045.32	14,830.66
541-5700 UpIsland COA Expense	20,760.91	21,532.78	771.87
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	4,502.82	13,000.00	8,497.18
Sub-total : Health & Human Services	378,208.26	412,748.64	34,540.38

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Under (Over) Budget</b>
Culture & Recreation			
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	285,780.29	292,153.40	6,373.11
610-5700 Library Expenses	122,600.00	122,600.00	0.00
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	664.00	830.00	166.00
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	17,759.85	19,468.80	1,708.95
620-5700 P&R Expenses	990.79	1,200.00	209.21
630-5700 Tennis Expenses	802.06	2,250.00	1,447.94
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	69,160.76	72,122.01	2,961.25
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	12,575.22	14,850.00	2,274.78
635-5120 Swim Instruct Pers Serv	0.00	2,749.68	2,749.68
635-5700 Swim Instruct Expenses	0.00	350.00	350.00
640-5120 Winter Rec Pers Serv	4,748.37	6,265.28	1,516.91
640-5700 Winter Rec Expenses	7,381.41	8,000.00	618.59
650-5700 Town Grounds	4,028.79	5,000.00	971.21
691-5700 Historical Commission	0.00	350.00	350.00
690-5700 Historic District	141.74	500.00	358.26
692-5600 MV Cultural Council	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	528,133.28	550,189.17	22,055.89
Debt Service			
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	575,962.89	575,965.00	2.11
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	138,488.25	138,490.00	1.75
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	1,389.51	2,500.00	1,110.49
Sub-total : Debt Service	715,840.65	716,955.00	1,114.35
Benefits			
911-5170 County Retirement	311,977.00	311,977.00	0.00
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	7,589.10	8,000.00	410.90
913-5170 Unemployment	2,638.15	2,638.15	0.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	467,669.53	473,000.00	5,330.47
915-5170 Life Insurance	1,985.70	2,000.00	14.30
916-5170 Employers Medicare	31,375.31	36,700.00	5,324.69
945-5740 Public Official Liability	13,495.00	13,800.00	305.00
Sub-total : Benefits	836,729.79	848,115.15	11,385.36
Cherry Sheet Assessments			
820-5600 State-Air Pollution	3,131.00	3,131.00	0.00
821-5600 State-RTA	106,506.00	106,506.00	0.00
824-5600 State Non-Renew MVE	5,220.00	4,340.00	(880.00)
830-5600 County Assessment	85,161.84	87,948.00	2,786.16
Sub-total : Cherry Sheet Assessments	200,018.84	201,925.00	1,906.16
FY2013 Warrant Articles			
ATM 2012 DCRHA 2013	37,176.00	37,176.00	0.00
ATM 2012 Police 4WD Vehicle	33,424.75	36,380.00	2,955.25
ATM 2012 Assessors Revaluation	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
ATM 2012 County Pest	7,081.38	7,081.38	0.00
ATM 2012 County Helath 1	12,493.02	12,493.02	0.00
ATM 2012 County Health 2	10,391.42	10,391.42	0.00
ATM 2012 Fire Truck Acquisition	293,364.73	400,000.00	106,635.27
ATM 2012 Howes House Septic	0.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
STM 11-2012 Police PSB Design	68,632.64	80,000.00	11,367.36
STM 11-2012 Tranfser to WTAHTF	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
ATM 2013 Transfer to WTAHF	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
ATM 2013 Mill Brook Watershed Study	0.00	15,030.00	15,030.00

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Under (Over) Budget</b>
ATM 2013 Tritown Ambulance Purchase	0.00	39,000.00	39,000.00
ATM 2013 Highway Pickup	0.00	18,500.00	18,500.00
ATM 2013 OPEB Trust	76,000.00	76,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : FY2013 Warrant Articles	578,563.94	808,551.82	229,987.88
FY13 Recap Expenditures			
FY13 Recap Tax Tittle	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Sub-total : FY13 Recap Expenditures	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>Total: FY 2013 Appropriations/Budget</b>	<b>14,967,421.39</b>	<b>15,429,843.56</b>	<b>462,422.17</b>
<b>PRIOR YEAR CARRIED FORWARD</b>			
FY2012 Encumbrances			
FY2011 Audit	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00
Fire Dept Badges & Equip	7,058.93	7,058.93	0.00
Police Uniforms	6,062.42	6,062.42	0.00
Vision Server Upgrade	2,717.00	2,717.00	0.00
ConCom Laptop Computer	1,174.00	1,174.00	0.00
FY 2010 Audit	550.00	550.00	0.00
Cemetery Mapping	0.00	2,327.54	2,327.54
Sub-total : FY2012 Encumbrances	18,662.35	20,989.89	2,327.54
Prior Year Warrant Articles			
ATM 2011 21 Triennial Revaution	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
STM 11-15-11 Mill Dam Acquisition	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
STM 11-15-11 Greenlands Maintenance	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
STM 11-15-11 Energy Legal/Exp	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
ATM 2012 07 Library from Dog Funds	3,511.14	3,511.42	0.28
ATM 2012 11 Highway Tractor	0.00	334.82	334.82
ATM 2012 13 Police PSB Design	63,176.89	63,176.89	0.00
STM 06-2012 Library/HH Lot	0.00	45,991.00	45,991.00
ATM 2010 Triennial Revaluation	0.00	11,254.20	11,254.20
ATM 2010 Hydant Maintenance	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
ATM 2010 Basketball Court	0.00	5,262.50	5,262.50
ATM 2010 Facilities Manager	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
ATM 2011 Police Cruiser	74.39	958.40	884.01
Town Hall Renovation	150.00	24,124.54	23,974.54
ATM 2010 HH/Library Well	3,296.95	8,793.09	5,496.14
ATM 2010 Police Tactical	160.48	300.87	140.39
ATM 2010 Microfiche Project	0.00	348.42	348.42
ATM 2010 Town Building Inspections	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
ATM 20088 Fire Hydrant	0.00	4,430.20	4,430.20
ATM 2009 Cemetery Headstone	0.00	6,760.65	6,760.65
ATM 2007 Estuary Study Year 3	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
ATM 2006 Estuary Study Year 2	0.00	13,750.00	13,750.00
FY2005-Estuary Study Year 1	0.00	13,750.00	13,750.00
Sub-total : Prior Year Warrant Articles	87,369.85	282,747.00	195,377.15
<b>Total: PRIOR YEAR</b>			
<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	106,032.20	303,736.89	197,704.69
<b>Total : EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>15,073,453.59</b>	<b>15,733,580.45</b>	<b>660,126.86</b>

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**Other Fund Activity (Non-General Fund)**  
**July 1, 2012 - June 30 2013**

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

<b>Community Policing</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	187.12
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>187.12</u>
<b>Island DTF (Forfeitures)</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	3,045.35
FY 2013 Receipts	7,100.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(2,364.60)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>7,780.75</u>
<b>Watch Your Car</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	675.00
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>675.00</u>
<b>Emergency Management</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	1,958.14
FY 2013 Expenditures	(1,958.14)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Public Safety Grant</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	90.10
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>90.10</u>
<b>Arts Council</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	39,908.85
FY 2013 Receipts	26,154.88
FY 2013 Expenditures	(22,176.72)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>43,887.01</u>
<b>Equipment, F.D.</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	154.06
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>154.06</u>
<b>Refuse District Revolving Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	93,672.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(93,672.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>

<b>State Aid, Elderly Persons</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	(1,640.63)
FY 2013 Receipts	6,323.63
FY 2013 Expenditures	(4,683.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	0.00
<b>Green Community Grant</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	35,812.50
FY 2013 Expenditures	(550.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	35,262.50
<b>Permanent Endowment Grant</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	2,400.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(2,400.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	0.00
<b>State Aid to Libraries</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	27,127.19
FY 2013 Receipts	9,204.16
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	36,331.35
<b>County Dog Funds</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Transfer to General Fund	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	0.00
<b>BOH Health Services</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	1,406.50
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditure	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	1,406.50
<b>Shellfish Grant</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	319.16
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	319.16
<b>Sale of Cemetery Lots</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	32,350.00
FY 2013 Receipts	1,400.00
FY 2013 Transfer to General Fund	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	33,750.00
<b>Wetlands Protection</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	25,297.36
FY 2013 Receipts	1,494.50
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	26,791.86

<b>Septic System Repairs</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	74,647.72
FY 2013 Receipts	3,545.04
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>78,192.76</u>
<b>Wetlands By-Law Fees</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	1,350.00
FY 2013 Receipts	300.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>1,650.00</u>
<b>Gifts</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	12,465.21
FY 2013 Receipts	11,756.10
FY 2013 Expenditures	(11,900.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>12,321.31</u>
<b>Gifts/Library Expansion</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	24,720.23
FY 2013 Receipts	1,108,377.94
FY 2013 Expenditures	(6,000.00)
Transfer to Library Capital Project	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>1,127,098.17</u>
<b>Community Preservation Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	1,384,683.79
FY 2013 Receipts/Surcharge	332,643.95
FY 2013 Receipts/State Match	136,222.00
FY 2013 Receipts/Penalties & Interest	1,387.40
FY 2013 Receipts/Investment	2,628.54
FY 2013 Receipts/Tax Liens Redeemed	1,845.59
FY 2013 Receipts/Tax Liens Pen & Int	366.77
FY 2013 Expenditures	(603,261.60)
FY 2013 Transfer to Trust Funds	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>1,256,516.44</u>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECT</b>	
<b>Police Station Construction</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Bond Proceeds	2,495,000.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(147,937.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>2,347,063.00</u>
<b>Road Reconstruction</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Bond Proceeds	2,615,000.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(2,159,611.05)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>455,388.95</u>

**Library Building Project**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	894,763.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(267,212.24)
Transfer from Special Revenue (Gifts)	225,734.88
6/30/13 Closing Balance	853,285.64

**NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS****Perpetual Care**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	54,390.00
FY 2013 Receipts	600.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	54,990.00

**F.E. Mayhew**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	1,000.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	1,000.00

**W.J. Rotch**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	4,000.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	4,000.00

**J.C. Martin**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	200.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	200.00

**P. Hancock**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	5,343.45
6/30/13 Closing Balance	5,343.45

**EXPENDABLE TRUSTS****Perpetual Care**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	3,805.31
FY 2013 Interest Earned	(210.12)
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	3,595.19

**F.E. Mayhew**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	136.40
FY 2013 Interest Earned	2.92
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	139.32

**W.J. Rotch**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	544.15
FY 2013 Interest Earned	9.81
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	553.96

**J.C. Martin**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	71.98
FY 2013 Interest Earned	0.53
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	72.51



<b>P. Hancock</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	1,876.90
FY 2013 Interest Earned	14.38
FY 2013 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>1,891.28</u>
<b>Library Gift Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	38,384.16
FY 2013 Additions	4,513.18
FY 2013 Expenditures	(7,221.05)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>35,676.29</u>
<b>Conservation Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	62,110.86
FY 2013 Interest Earned	125.81
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>62,236.67</u>
<b>Affordable Housing Trust Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	118,535.86
FY 2013 Receipts	0.00
FY 2013 Interest Earned	182.77
FY 2013 Transfer from General Fund	40,000.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(63,061.06)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>95,657.57</u>
<b>Stabilization Fund</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	489,490.49
FY 2013 Interest Earned	978.52
FY 2013 Transfer from General Fund	0.00
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>490,469.01</u>
<b>Stabilization Fund-Ambulance</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	92,073.95
FY 2013 Interest Earned	(193.70)
FY 2013 Transfer to General Fund	(39,000.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>52,880.25</u>
<b>Stabilization Fund-OPEB</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	530,411.12
FY 2013 Interest Earned	965.92
FY 2013 Transfer to OPEB Trust	(531,377.04)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Stabilization Fund-Fire Equip</b>	
7/01/12 Opening Balance	276,258.35
FY 2013 Interest Earned	445.56
FY 2013 Transfer to General Fund	(275,000.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	<u>1,703.91</u>

# **AGENCY FUNDS**

## **Retiree & Firefighters Benefits Contribution**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	677.57
FY 2013 Receipts	29,261.05
FY 2013 Expenditures	(30,226.26)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	(287.64)

## **Due to County--Dog Tax**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	99.00
FY 2013 Receipts	223.50
FY 2013 Expenditures	(363.50)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	(41.00)

## **Due to Police Special Detail**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	49,060.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(49,380.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	(320.00)

## **Due to Comm. Of Mass.(PD Firearm Licenses)**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	4,512.50
FY 2013 Expenditures	(4,512.50)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	0.00

## **Due to Comm Of Mass F&W (Town Clerk)**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	(23.70)
FY 2013 Receipts	5,612.90
FY 2013 Expenditures	(5,582.75)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	6.45

## **Consultants, Chap. 44, Sect. 53G**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	9,529.98
FY 2013 Interest	28.84
FY 2013 Receipts	11,600.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(7,945.88)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	13,212.94

## **Misc Escrow**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	209.02
FY 2013 Interest	0.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(2,000.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	(1,790.98)

## **Due to Collector's MLC Fees**

7/01/12 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2013 Receipts	3,525.00
FY 2013 Expenditures	(3,525.00)
6/30/13 Closing Balance	0.00

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**PAYMENTS TO VENDORS (OVER \$2,000) AND ALL EMPLOYEES**  
**July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

**VENDORS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Up-Island Regional School District	6,005,234.13	Comm of Mass (Withholding)	110,177.96
MV Regional High School District	2,559,004.90	MV Commission	110,073.00
Lawrence Lynch Corp	2,055,475.72	Habitat For Humanity of MV	96,035.18
Nauset Construction Corp	1,423,263.63	Keenan & Kenny Architects Ltd	89,366.78
Edgartown National Bank	1,068,077.33	Richard T Olsen & Sons Inc	80,142.21
US Bank	950,653.14	Dukes County Pooled OPEB Trust	76,000.00
Cape Cod Municipal Health Group	600,291.64	Nstar	62,930.33
Dukes County Contrib Retirement	512,375.46	Educomp Inc	43,315.85
EFTPS	313,750.36	Reynolds Rappaport & Kaplan	38,233.68
CET Fire Pumps Mfg	291,600.00	MV Center For Living	38,181.28
MV Refuse District	238,629.52	MHQ Municipal Vehicles	33,974.75
Oudens Ello Architecture LLC	229,501.39	MV Shellfish Group	33,000.00
MV Insurance Agency	189,883.00	Cafeteria Plan Advisors, Inc.	27,890.00
Town of Chilmark	181,017.44	Unibank For Savings	27,780.00
Island Housing Trust Corp	165,649.67	Baker & Taylor	26,754.28
First Congregational Church of WT	136,515.00	Industrial Protection Services	26,550.43
Daedalus Projects Incorporated	133,118.50	Ridley & Associates Inc	24,751.00
County of Dukes County	126,745.42	MV Transit Authority	23,892.39
Builders Systems Inc	121,075.00	David A Merry & Sons Inc	23,160.00
Dukes County Reg Housing Authority	118,104.00	Vineyard Nursing Association	22,796.12
Great-West Retirement Services	114,497.61	Hi-Way Safety Systems Inc	19,003.49

<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CLAMS Inc	18,354.23	MV Times	8,667.56
Trippi's Uniforms Inc	18,053.43	Bardwell Electronics	8,646.50
Francis Cournoyer Trust	17,991.75	Des Lauriers Municipal Solutions Inc	8,471.84
MV Law Enforcement Council	17,896.20	Howard Wall	8,415.00
RM Packer Co Inc	17,741.58	Jimmy B Hauling Service	8,305.00
Acme Precast Co Inc	16,840.65	MSgovern	8,114.40
Buddy's Auto & Truck Repair	15,840.00	Edwards Wildman Palmer LLP	8,000.00
Luciana B Deoliveira	15,825.00	PK Associates Inc	7,868.50
R L Fullin & Daughters	14,917.00	Tyler Technologies, Inc.	7,592.00
Verizon (Albany)	14,385.28	MILA Property & Casualty Group Inc	7,589.10
MV Museum	14,039.28	Billtrust	7,418.09
Goodale Construction Co Inc	13,573.65	Standard & Poors	7,000.00
Beth Kramer (Expense Reimbursement)	13,516.56	Ron Burson D/B/A	6,898.00
Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services Inc	12,815.00	Associated Elevator Companies Inc	6,529.00
daRosa Corporation	12,479.35	William H Solomon	6,477.00
R E Brown & Company	12,100.00	Verizon New England Inc	6,338.47
Amazon	12,059.85	Ropes & Gray	6,190.00
Cape Cod Winwater Works Co	11,753.23	Tea Lane Nursery & Farms Inc	6,108.00
Vineyard Gardens Inc	11,751.89	Island Water Source Inc	6,086.26
Maciel Land and Tree	11,107.50	ARC	5,987.61
White - Lynch	10,440.00	Mark Lanza	5,643.02
Hertz Vehicles LLC	9,543.13	South Shore Divers Inc	5,580.00
Vineyard Land Surveying	9,538.75	Vineyard Propane & Oil / D & R	5,247.22
Travis T. Thurber D/B/A	9,275.00	Comcast [PA]	5,244.31
Fort Dearborn Life	9,267.43	King Information Systems Inc	5,192.66
Coppola & Coppola	9,247.20	Vision Government Solutions Inc	5,025.00
Let Me Do That!	9,228.00	Airport Ministorage of MV	4,992.00

<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Jeff Entner Painting, Inc.	4,800.00	UpBruno's Rolloff Inc	2,719.33
Reserve Account (Postage)	4,800.00	Steamship Authority	2,717.74
Mid-Island Repair Inc	4,642.84	Rubin And Rudman LLP	2,705.77
Comcast	4,556.97	Vineyard Gazette	2,678.34
Firearms Record Bureau	4,512.50	Boston Mutual Life Ins Co	2,644.23
Thomas H Colligan D/B/A	4,474.51	MA Div of Unemployment Assistance	2,638.15
American Heritage Life	4,467.42	Dukes County Registry of Deeds	2,581.10
Bruce K Stone (Expense Reimbursement)	4,465.20	C & W Power Equipment	2,540.95
Emergency Contractors LLC	4,357.28	EC Cottle Inc	2,503.61
Verizon Wireless	4,141.21	P&P Masonry LLC	2,500.00
MC Clements Tree Service	4,075.00	MV Film Festival	2,447.00
LHS Associates Inc	4,042.95	NCPERS Group Life Ins	2,432.00
Margaret Stone (Expense Reimbursement)	4,026.59	Maria Mcfarland	2,348.08
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co	4,018.10	Cartographic Associates Inc	2,300.00
Mike & Wayne's Inc	3,992.66	MV Film Society	2,274.00
Bro-Dart Co	3,972.15	Cape Cod Trailer Storage	2,265.00
Isotrope	3,933.30	Jurek Brothers Inc	2,255.60
Marine Rescue Products Inc	3,739.00	Haynes Plumbing & Caretaking Inc	2,247.25
John J Powers (Expense Reimbursement)	3,703.67	Vineyard Bottled Waters	2,214.44
MMA Management Associates LLC	3,540.00	Demco	2,203.22
Verizon Wireless [Albany]	3,234.44	Electronic Security Systems LLC	2,194.00
Wsp Flack + Kurtz Inc	3,200.00	Dukes County Sheriff Office	2,180.00
Fleet Services (Exxon/Mobil)	3,125.60	Emergency Communications Network Inc	2,138.55
Richard M Hull	3,038.35	Laura Sargent Hall	2,058.00
Linda Sue Hughes	3,000.00	Interstate Arms Corp	2,054.68
Leo Vigeant Co., Inc	2,905.47	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2,028.00
KCT Concerts	2,838.00		

## EMPLOYEES & OFFICIALS

Name	Department/Position	Gross	Name	Department/Position	Gross
Mincone, Matthew	Police Department	104,865.85	Klebs, Stephen	Library	31,989.44
Rossi, Daniel	Police Chief	102,464.47	Rossi, Jane	Planning Board Administrator	29,114.48
Gouldrup, Daniel	Police Department	99,021.32	Cusack, Robert	Police Department	27,824.36
Rand, Jennifer	Town Administrator	98,987.20	Larsen, Tanya	Council on Aging	24,718.16
Vieira, Garrison	Police Department	97,444.57	Hoff, Amy	Library	22,368.38
Manter, Jeffrey	Police Department	89,273.61	Flanders, Jason	Police Department	21,811.48
Mendenhall, Ernest	Building Inspector	88,326.76	DeSorcy, Simone	Planning Board	18,991.81
Gebo, Matthew	Police Department	83,726.92	Stone, Margaret	Parks & Recreation	17,759.85
Stone, Bruce	Accountant/Data Processing	82,435.40	Olsen, Richard	Highway Superintendent	17,000.00
Taylor, Brent	Tax Collector	80,732.31	Hall, Maureen	Library	16,535.70
Powers, John	Health Agent	80,074.03	Healy, Allen	Animal Control	15,609.44
Kramer, Beth	Library, Director	78,485.26	Peckham, Ralph	Highway Department	15,475.24
Bowker, Joyce	Council on Aging, Director	77,207.31	Norton, Ginger	Library	13,544.39
Logue, Katherine	Treasurer/Data Processing	76,980.18	Schroeder, Joseph	Parks & Recreation	12,427.94
Ventura, Russell	Police Department	71,489.64	Brown, Helen	Council on Aging	11,613.89
Neville, James	Police Department	69,127.03	Comoir, Charles	Council on Aging	11,494.08
De Oliveira, Leomar	Police Department	67,091.33	Barnes, Dawn	Principal Assessor	10,254.84
West, Kristina	Principal Assessor	66,166.85	Tseng, Jennifer	Library	10,168.98
Reynolds, Ellen	Council on Aging	63,971.54	Colligan, Thomas	Inspector	10,070.00
Oliver, Jesse	Highway Dept/Fire Department	60,815.53	Harcourt, Maya	Parks & Recreation	8,431.11
Keeffe, Julie	ZBA Board Administrator	56,715.98	Osners, Robert	Parks & Recreation	7,896.41
Decker, Cornelia	Library	55,919.79	Wolff, Alicia	Library	7,575.72
Blair, Hadden	Police Department	50,432.64	Christensen, John	Emergency Management/Fire Dept	7,500.00
Sprague, Tammiis	Assessors, Data Collector	50,368.80	Ciancio, Michael	Inspector	7,220.00
McFarland, Maria	Conservation Com/Personnel Bd	44,306.15	Pencaud, Marie	Parks & Recreation	6,845.62
Thors, Pamela	Selectmen Office/CPC	43,979.54	Williston, Sarah	Parks & Recreation	6,162.77
Whiting, Tara	Town Clerk	43,728.00	Vergura, Julienne	Parks & Recreation	6,138.00
Estrella III, Manuel	Fire Chief	40,000.00	Conley, Rhonda	Affordable Housing, Admin Asst	5,846.87
Jenkinson, Joan	Animal Control	39,449.19	Cortez, Bradley	Police Department	5,185.42
Cott, Laura	Library	37,658.39	Mitchell, Cynthia	Board of Selectmen	5,000.00

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Knabel, Richard	Board of Selectmen	5,000.00	Estrella IV, Manuel	Fire Department	1,400.00
Gale, Raymond	Shellfish Warden	4,950.00	Townes, Zachary	Police Department	1,297.97
Myers, Travis	Parks & Recreation	4,925.16	Barnett, Timothy	Board of Health/Elections	1,144.00
Haynes, William	Inspector	4,465.00	Bettencourt, Mark	Fire Department	1,100.00
Flanders, Martha	Library	4,459.81	Fontes, Michael	Fire Department	1,100.00
Stone, Brittany	Parks & Recreation	3,831.80	Cohen, Richard	Board of Assessors	1,000.00
Stone, Barry	Inspector	3,752.50	Colaneri, Michael	Board of Assessors	1,000.00
Schroeder, Michael	Parks & Recreation	3,708.52	Mone, Robert	Board of Assessors	1,000.00
Marzbanian, Wendy	Council on Aging	3,610.32	Merry, David	Board of Health	1,000.00
Schaffner, Brynn	Fire Department	3,280.00	Dorr, Alexander	Fire Department	1,000.00
Mastromonaco, Kenneth	Fire Department	3,200.00	Jones, Virginia	Planning Board	1,000.00
Brown, Jeremiah	Tree Warden/Fire Dept	3,000.00	Merry, Mathew	Planning Board	1,000.00
Pliskaln, Harold	Library	2,692.80	Phear, Beatrice	Planning Board	1,000.00
Dorr, Katherine	Parks & Recreation	2,583.66	Silva, Susan	Planning Board	1,000.00
Branch, James	Fire Department	2,500.00	Smith, Leah	Planning Board	1,000.00
Early, John	Fire Department	2,500.00	de Geofroy, Louis	Fire Department	900.00
Pachico, Gregory	Fire Department	2,420.00	deBettencourt	Council on Aging	832.32
Marzbanian, Peter	Fire Department	2,320.00	DeBlase, Glenn	Fire Department	800.00
Hull, Richard	Fire Department	2,300.00	Miner, Lindsay	Finance Committee, Admin Asst	798.67
Medeiros, Eric	Fire Department	2,230.00	Fisher, Dorothy	Council on Aging	767.04
Dreyer, Hilary	Parks & Recreation	2,199.12	Edwards, Kenneth	Fire Department	750.00
HallBillsback, Mariah	Library	2,198.21	Hartenstine, Russell	Fire Department	750.00
Ferry, Shelby	Parks & Recreation	2,177.64	Haynes, Bruce	Fire Department	750.00
Hennessey, Robert	Fire Department	2,100.00	Rivers, Marques	Fire Department	750.00
Alley, John	Cemetery Superintendent	1,885.00	Barton, Mathew	Library	745.28
Dasilva, David	Parks & Recreation	1,833.01	Kaeka, Dwight	Fire Department	650.00
Lowe, Erik	Board of Health/Fire Dept	1,700.00	West, Christopher	Fire Department	650.00
Pate, Peter	Fire Department	1,650.00	de Geofroy, Olivia	Library	604.32
Cordray, Bruce	Fire Department	1,600.00	Larsen, Daniel	Fire Department	600.00
Cotterill, John	Fire Department	1,500.00	Retmier, Benjamin	Fire Department	600.00
Everett, Charles	Parks & Recreation	1,484.73	Serusa, Stephen	Fire Department	600.00
Stone, Matthew	Parks & Recreation	1,466.40	Chaves, Jose	Parks & Recreation	594.16

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MSudarsky, luke	Fire Department	550.00	Perry, Norman	Elections	184.50
Shannon, John	Fire Department	500.00	Maley, Timothy	Elections	180.00
Dexter, Michael	Library	456.96	Amols, Lisa	Parks & Recreation	166.00
Post, Michael	Fire Department	450.00	Bernard, Mark	Parks & Recreation	166.00
Reinhardtsen, Richard	Fire Department	450.00	Hammond, Suzanne	Parks & Recreation	166.00
Schmidt, Dyan	Parks & Recreation	439.92	Lowe, Cheryl	Parks & Recreation	166.00
Clements, Mark	Fire Department	400.00	Barnett, Elaine	Elections	160.00
Kacka, Elizabeth	Fire Department	400.00	Irving, Marian	Elections	140.00
Mills, Kendra	Library	376.86	Carroll, Linda	Elections	116.00
Gregory, Francis	Moderator	370.00	Amaral, Beatrice	Elections	112.00
Flanders, Levi	Fire Department	350.00	Steere, Bonnie	Elections	96.00
Baldwin, Benoit	Parks & Recreation	339.52	Colaneri, Karen	Elections	82.00
White, Granville	Fire Department	300.00	Riggs, Cynthia	Elections	68.00
Bye, Muriel	Elections	288.00	Scanlan, Thalia	Elections	64.00
Montrowl, Dionis	Elections	252.00	Jones, Kenneth	Asst Shellfish Warden	50.00
Haynes, Nathaniel	Fire Department	250.00	Kirby, Bernice	Board of Registrars	50.00
Oliver, Jacob	Fire Department	250.00	Peebles, Rufus	Board of Registrars	50.00
Vanderwekken, Lisa	Parks & Recreation	222.18	Rezendes, Antone H.	Board of Registrars	50.00
Faraca, Lee	Parks & Recreation	201.46	Pace, Elaine	Elections	32.00
Alwardt, Joshua	Fire Department	200.00	Runner, Faith	Elections	32.00
Schwab, David	Inspector	190.00			



**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY  
APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS FY 2013**

**FY 2013 BUDGET**

**General Government**

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00		370.00	370.00		0.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	970.00		970.00	675.00		295.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	15,000.00		15,000.00	10,000.00		5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Personal Services	134,437.08		134,437.08	134,384.38		52.70
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	15,500.00	8,600.00	24,100.00	20,884.64		3,215.36
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	2,203.95		2,203.95	798.67		1,405.28
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	2,225.00		2,225.00	902.00		1,323.00
132-5700 Reserve Fund	46,000.00	(40,942.80)	5,057.20	0.00	550.00	5,057.20
133-5300 Annual Audit	11,000.00		11,000.00	10,450.00		0.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	80,935.40		80,935.40	80,935.40		0.00
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,570.00		1,570.00	1,482.29		87.71
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		0.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	117,122.88	10,339.54	127,462.42	126,790.49		671.93
141-5305 Assessors Legal	30,000.00		30,000.00	0.00		30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	20,200.00		20,200.00	14,023.00		6,177.00
145-5110 Treasurer Salaries	74,980.18		74,980.18	74,980.18		0.00
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	4,800.00		4,800.00	2,525.01		2,274.99
146-5110 Collector Salaries	77,207.31		77,207.31	77,207.31		0.00
146-5700 Collector Expenses	17,760.00		17,760.00	16,616.26		1,143.74
151-5300 Legal	65,000.00		65,000.00	41,167.85		23,832.15
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	8,743.28		8,743.28	3,734.19		5,009.09
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	800.00		800.00	178.67		621.33
155-5120 Data Personal Services	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00		0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	65,492.00		65,492.00	56,726.59	6,233.28	2,532.13
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	12,850.00		12,850.00	10,657.20		2,192.80
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	150.00		150.00	0.00		150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	43,628.00		43,628.00	43,628.00		0.00
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	1,755.00		1,755.00	419.50		1,335.50
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	2,300.00		2,300.00	2,086.50		213.50
162-5700 Elections Expenses	7,700.00		7,700.00	4,789.64		2,910.36
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00		250.00	250.00		0.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	1,085.00		1,085.00	985.00		100.00
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	42,276.50		42,276.50	40,435.96		1,840.54
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	3,350.00		3,350.00	1,870.49		1,479.51
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		0.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	53,771.42		53,771.42	48,544.41		5,227.01
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	5,631.00		5,631.00	2,701.31		2,929.69
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	58,990.46		58,990.46	57,385.98		1,604.48
176-5305 ZBA Legal	4,000.00		4,000.00	1,182.50		2,817.50
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	2,290.00		2,290.00	1,892.63		397.37
177-5600 MV Commission	107,373.00		107,373.00	107,373.00		0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	5,220.00		5,220.00	5,171.51		48.49
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	3,000.00		3,000.00	517.92		2,482.08
179-5305 AHC Legal	550.00		550.00	321.09		228.91
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	64,228.00		64,228.00	64,191.00		37.00
193-5700 Property Insurance	62,500.00		62,500.00	62,500.00		0.00
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	6,200.00		6,200.00	4,990.00		1,210.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	250.00		250.00	0.00		250.00
Sub-total : General Government	1,293,165.46	(22,003.26)	1,271,162.20	1,148,225.57	6,783.28	116,153.35

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
Public Safety						
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	863,512.36		863,512.36	841,476.61		22,035.75
210-5700 Police Expenses	121,600.00		121,600.00	116,416.57		5,183.43
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	108,800.00		108,800.00	89,020.00		19,780.00
220-5700 Fire Expenses	164,800.00		164,800.00	160,775.11		4,024.89
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	180,551.42		180,551.42	180,551.42		0.00
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	100,491.93	13,532.33	114,024.26	114,024.26		0.00
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	3,695.00		3,695.00	2,224.43		1,470.57
291-5120 Emer Mgt Pers Serv	8,000.00		8,000.00	7,000.00		1,000.00
291-5700 Emer Mgt Expenses	4,265.00		4,265.00	3,614.47		650.53
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	58,315.72		58,315.72	55,058.63		3,257.09
292-5700 ACO Expenses	10,450.00		10,450.00	7,041.46		3,408.54
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		0.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Pers Serv	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,120.00		80.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	10,000.00		10,000.00	9,825.00		175.00
296-5700 Dutch Elm Disease	1,000.00		1,000.00	800.00		200.00
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	1,000.00		1,000.00	875.00		125.00
298-5120 Shellfish Pers Serv	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		0.00
298-5700 Shellfish Expenses	3,650.00		3,650.00	1,825.39		1,824.61
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	33,000.00		33,000.00	33,000.00		0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	1,681,831.43	13,532.33	1,695,363.76	1,632,148.35	0.00	63,215.41
Education						
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	6,005,234.13		6,005,234.13	6,005,234.13		0.00
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,559,004.90		2,559,004.90	2,559,004.90		0.00
Sub-total : Education	8,564,239.03	0.00	8,564,239.03	8,564,239.03	0.00	0.00
Public Works						
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Srv	17,000.00		17,000.00	17,000.00		0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	70,405.28	1,600.00	72,005.28	71,970.24		35.04
422-5700 Highway Expenses	58,250.00		58,250.00	57,066.44		1,183.56
423-5700 Snow & Ice	40,000.00		40,000.00	86,588.21		(46,588.21)
424-5700 Street Lights	7,000.00		7,000.00	5,671.12		1,328.88
Sub-total : Public Works	192,655.28	1,600.00	194,255.28	238,296.01	0.00	(44,040.73)
Sanitation						
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	50.00		50.00	0.00		50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	46,000.00		46,000.00	33,685.41		12,314.59
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	3,400.00		3,400.00	1,443.75		1,956.25
439-5600 MVRDRD Intergov	111,888.51		111,888.51	111,888.51		0.00
Sub-total : Sanitation	161,338.51	0.00	161,338.51	147,017.67	0.00	14,320.84
Human Services						
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,885.00		615.00
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	18,350.00		18,350.00	10,662.80		7,687.20
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		0.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	80,304.26		80,304.26	80,074.03		230.23
510-5700 BOH Expenses	7,755.00		7,755.00	6,260.76		1,494.24
522-5700 Health Services	19,080.00		19,080.00	18,666.00		414.00
540-5700 Island COA	37,379.82	801.46	38,181.28	38,181.28		0.00
541-5120 Upland COA Per Serv	209,045.32		209,045.32	194,214.66		14,830.66
541-5700 Upland COA Expense	15,300.00	6,232.78	21,532.78	20,760.91		771.87
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	13,000.00		13,000.00	4,502.82		8,497.18
Sub-total : Human Services	405,714.40	7,034.24	412,748.64	378,208.26	0.00	34,540.38
Culture & Recreation						
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	304,653.40	(12,500.00)	292,153.40	285,780.29		6,373.11
610-5700 Library Expenses	110,100.00	12,500.00	122,600.00	122,600.00		0.00
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	830.00		830.00	664.00		166.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	19,468.80		19,468.80	17,759.85		1,708.95
620-5700 P&R Expenses	1,200.00		1,200.00	990.79		209.21
630-5700 Tennis Expenses	2,250.00		2,250.00	802.06		1,447.94
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	72,122.01		72,122.01	69,160.76		2,961.25
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	14,850.00		14,850.00	12,575.22		2,274.78
635-5120 Swim Instruct Pers Serv	2,749.68		2,749.68	0.00		2,749.68
635-5700 Swim Instruct Expenses	350.00		350.00	0.00		350.00
640-5120 Winter Rec Pers Serv	2,265.28	4,000.00	6,265.28	4,748.37		1,516.91
640-5700 Winter Rec Expenses	5,000.00	3,000.00	8,000.00	7,381.41		618.59
650-5700 Town Grounds	5,000.00		5,000.00	4,028.79		971.21
690-5700 Historic District	500.00		500.00	141.74		358.26
691-5700 Historical Commission	350.00		350.00	0.00		350.00
692-5600 Cultural Council	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	543,189.17	7,000.00	550,189.17	528,133.28	0.00	22,055.89
Debit Service						
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	575,965.00		575,965.00	575,962.89		2.11
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	138,490.00		138,490.00	138,488.25		1.75
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,389.51		1,110.49
Sub-total : Debt Service	716,955.00	0.00	716,955.00	715,840.65	0.00	1,114.35
Benefits						
911-5170 County Retirement	309,444.00	2,533.00	311,977.00	311,977.00		0.00
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	8,000.00		8,000.00	7,589.10		410.90
913-5170 Unemployment	2,000.00	638.15	2,638.15	2,638.15		0.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	473,000.00		473,000.00	467,669.53		5,330.47
915-5170 Life Insurance	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,985.70		14.30
916-5170 Employers Medicare	36,700.00		36,700.00	31,375.31		5,324.69



	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
Server Upgrade	2,717.00		2,717.00	2,717.00		0.00
ConCom Laptop	1,174.00		1,174.00	1,174.00		0.00
FY10 Audit	550.00		550.00	550.00		0.00
Cemetery Mapping	2,327.54		2,327.54	0.00	2,327.54	0.00
Sub-total : FY 2012 Encumbrances	20,989.89	0.00	20,989.89	18,662.35	2,327.54	0.00
Prior Year Warrant Articles						
ATM2011 21 Triennial Revaluation	24,000.00		24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	0.00
ATM2011 40 Mill Brook Testing	4,000.00	(4,000.00)	0.00	0.00		0.00
STM 11-15-11 Mill Dam Acquisition	7,000.00		7,000.00	7,000.00		0.00
STM 11-15-11 Greenlands Maint	1,000.00		1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
STM 11-15-11 Energy Legal/Exp	10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00		0.00
ATM2012 Library from Dog Funds	3,511.42		3,511.42	3,511.14		0.28
ATM2012 Highway Tractor	334.82		334.82	0.00		334.82
ATM2012 Police PSB Design	63,176.89		63,176.89	63,176.89		0.00
ATM2012 Library/HH Lot	45,991.00		45,991.00	0.00	45,991.00	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Triennial Revaluation	11,254.20		11,254.20	0.00	11,254.20	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Fire Hydrant Maintenance	10,000.00		10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Basketball Court	12,262.50		5,262.50	0.00		5,262.50
ATM 4-2010 Facilities Manager	15,000.00		15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00
ATM 4-2011 Police Cruiser	958.40		958.40	74.39	884.01	0.00
Town Hall Capital Project Balance	24,124.54		24,124.54	150.00	23,974.54	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Howes House/Library Well	8,793.09		8,793.09	3,296.95	5,496.14	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Police Tactical	300.87		300.87	160.48	140.39	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Microfiche Project	348.42		348.42	0.00	348.42	0.00
ATM 4-2010 Town Building Inspections	1,000.00		1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
ATM 4-2009 Mill Pond Testing	2,030.00	(2,030.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2012	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2013	Balance Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2013
ATM 4-2009 Fire Hydrant Maintenance	4,430.20		4,430.20	0.00	4,430.20	0.00
ATM 4-2009 Headstone Repair	6,760.65		6,760.65	0.00	6,760.65	0.00
ATM 4-2007 Estuary Study Year 3	12,000.00		12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00
ATM 4-2006 Estuary Study Year 2	13,750.00		13,750.00	0.00	13,750.00	0.00
FY2004 Estuary Project	13,750.00		13,750.00	0.00	13,750.00	0.00
Sub-total : Prior Year Warrant Articles	295,777.00	(13,030.00)	282,747.00	87,369.85	189,779.55	5,597.60
<b>TOTAL PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS</b>	<b>316,766.89</b>	<b>(13,030.00)</b>	<b>303,736.89</b>	<b>106,032.20</b>	<b>192,107.09</b>	<b>5,597.60</b>
Other Budget Items						
Tax Title Raised on Recap	5,000.00		5,000.00	0.00		5,000.00
State Cherry Sheet Assessments	201,925.00		201,925.00	200,018.84		1,906.16
<b>GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>15,443,745.99</b>	<b>289,834.46</b>	<b>15,733,580.45</b>	<b>15,073,453.59</b>	<b>428,878.25</b>	<b>231,248.61</b>



**Town of West Tisbury, Massachusetts**  
**Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups**  
**as of June 2013**

	Governmental Fund Type			Fiduciary Fund Types	General Long-term Obligations	Totals (Memo Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects			
<u>Assets &amp; Other Debits</u>						
Cash and cash equivalents	1,726,179	2,670,089	4,539,121	822,685		9,758,074
Property Tax Receivable:						
Real Estate	250,251	8,195				258,446
Personal	21,508					21,508
Allowance for A/E	(219,510)					(219,510)
Other Receivables						
Motor Vehicle Excise	177,412					177,412
Boat Excise	2,287					2,287
Tax Liens	111,814	2,720				114,534
Septic Loans		14,556				14,556
Other Assets (Foreclosures)	74,961	255			6,610,000	75,216
Bonds Authorized (Memo)						6,610,000
Amounts to be provided for retirement of long term obligations						
Total Assets & Other Debits	2,144,903	2,695,814	4,539,121	822,685	4,761,000	21,573,523
<u>Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</u>						
Warrants Payable	172,740	7,675	342,649	1,496		524,559
Other Liabilities	34,190		81,281	10,780		126,251
BAN Payable						0

	Governmental Fund Type			Fiduciary Fund Types		Totals (Memo Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency	General Long-term Obligations	
Deferred Revenue	52,249	8,195				60,444
Property Tax	177,412					177,412
Motor Vehicle Excise	2,287					2,287
Boat Excise	111,814	2,720				114,534
Tax Liens	74,961	255				75,216
Foreclosures		14,556				14,556
Septic Loans						
Notes Payable					6,610,000	6,610,000
Landfill Closure & post closure cost				105,000	105,000	
Bonds Payable					4,656,000	4,656,000
Total Liabilities	625,654	33,400	423,929	12,276	11,371,000	12,466,259
Fund Balances						
Bonds Authorized-Offset (Memo)						0
Reserved						
Encumbrances & Continuing Articles	428,878	1,036,550				1,465,428
Endowments						0
Unreserved						
Designated	210,000	1,625,864	4,115,191	319,940		6,270,996
Unprovided Abatement/Exemptions	0					0
Appropriation Deficit (Snow & Ice)	(46,588)					(46,588)
Undesignated	926,960			490,469		1,417,429
Total Fund Equity	1,519,250	2,662,414	4,115,191	810,409	0	9,107,264
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	2,144,903	2,695,814	4,539,121	822,685	11,371,000	21,573,523

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET BY FUND**  
as of June 2013

**GENERAL FUND**

Assets/Debit Balances		Liabilities/Fund Equity
Cash	1,726,179.44	Allowance Abatements & Exemptions
Real Estate Tax Receivables	250,251.11	Warrants Payable
Personal Property Tax Receivables	21,507.75	Unclaimed Checks
Tax Liens	111,814.29	Deferred Revenue/Property Taxes
MVE Tax Receivables	177,412.19	Deferred Revenue/Tax Liens
Vessel Tax Receivables	2,287.20	Deferred Revenue/Tax Foreclosures
Tax Foreclosures	74,961.09	Deferred Revenue/MVE
UFB/Appropriation Deficit (Snow)	46,588.21	Deferred Revenue/Vessel Excise
		Fund Balance/Encumbrances
		Fund Balance/Continuing Appropriations
		Fund Balance/Reserved for Expenditure
		Undesignated Fund Balance
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	2,411,001.28	
		<b>SPECIAL REVENUE</b>
Cash	2,670,089.16	Warrants Payable
CPA Surcharge Receivables	8,194.56	Deferred Revenue CPA Surcharge
CPA Surcharge Tax Liens Receivables	2,720.03	Deferred Revenue CPA Tax Liens
CPA - Tax Foreclosures	254.90	Deferred Revenue CPA Foreclosures
Sceptic Loans Receivable	14,555.53	Deferred Revenue Sceptic Loans
		219,509.88
		172,739.52
		34,190.27
		52,248.98
		111,814.29
		74,961.09
		177,412.19
		2,287.20
		9,110.82
		419,767.43
		210,000.00
		926,959.61
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		2,411,001.28
		7,675.07
		8,194.56
		2,720.03
		254.90
		14,555.53

Assets/Debit Balances	Liabilities/Fund Equity
CPA:	
Fund Balance/Reserved for Appropriations	1,036,550.16
Fund Balance/Encumbrances	0.00
Fund Balance/Reserved for Open Space	198.57
Fund Balance/Reserved for Housing	0.00
Fund Balance/Reserved for Historic Presev	10,001.00
Fund Balance/Unrestricted	209,766.71
Fund Balance/Island DTF Forfeitures	7,780.75
Fund Balance/Community Policing (State)	187.12
Fund Balance/MV Cultural Council (State)	43,887.01
Fund Balance/State Aid to Libraries	36,331.35
Fund Balance/Elderly Grant (State)	0.00
Fund Balance/Green Community Grant (State)	35,262.50
Fund Balance/Other State	1,148.22
Fund Balance/Public Safety Grant (State)	90.10
Fund Balance/Sale of Cem.Lots	33,750.00
Fund Balance/Wetlands Protection	26,791.86
Fund Balance/Septic Sys. Repairs	78,192.76
Fund Balance/Gifts	1,139,419.48
Fund Balance/Revolving Fund BOH	1,406.50
Fund Balance/Revolving Wetland By-Law Fees	1,650.00
	<u>2,695,814.18</u>

	<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>	
	Assets/Debit Balances	Liabilities/Fund Equity
Cash	4,539,120.56	Warrant Payable 342,648.56
		Retainage/Police Station Construction 6,372.00
		Retainage/Library Construction 74,908.66
		Fund Balance/Police Station Project 2,347,063.00
		Fund Balance/Road Resurfacing Project 455,388.95
		Fund Balance/Library Building Project 1,312,739.39
Cash	<u>4,539,120.56</u>	<u>4,539,120.56</u>
<b>NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS</b>		
Cash	65,533.45	Fund Balance/Cemetery Funds 59,990.00
Cash	<u>65,533.45</u>	<u>5,543.45</u>
<b>EXPENENDABLE TRUSTS</b>		
Cash	746,100.98	Warrants Payable 1,225.02
		Fund Balance/Stabilization 490,469.01
		Fund Balance/Stabilization-Ambulance 52,880.25
		Fund Balance/Stabilization-OPEB 0.00
		Fund Balance/Stabilization-Fire Department 1,703.91
		Fund Balance/Cemeteries 4,288.47
		Fund Balance/Affordable Housing Trust 95,657.57
		Fund Balance/Libraries 37,640.08
		Fund Balance/Conservation 62,236.67
Cash	<u>746,100.98</u>	<u>746,100.98</u>

AGENCY		
	Assets/Debit Balances	Liabilities/Fund Equity
Cash	11,050.68	Warrants Payable 270.91 Agency Balance/Payroll (287.64) Agency Balance/Licenses PD 0.00 Agency Balance/Licenses Town Clerk 6.45 Agency Balance/Special Detail (320.00) Agency Balance/Dog Tax (41.00) Agency Balance/Escrow Account (1,790.98) Agency Balance/Consultants(44-53G) 13,212.94 <hr/> 11,050.68

Cash	11,050.68	
LONG-TERM DEBT/OBLIGATIONS		
Bond Authorized		6,610,000.00
Amts. To be Provided for Payment of Bonds	6,610,000.00	4,656,000.00
Amts. to be Provided for Retirement of Long	4,656,000.00	
Term Obligations	105,000.00	105,000.00

**SCHEDULE OF DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED**  
**July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013**

	<b>Balance 06/30/2012</b>	<b>Issued FY 2013</b>	<b>Retired FY 2013</b>	<b>Balance 06/30/2013</b>	<b>Interest Paid FY 2013</b>
<b><u>Long Term Debt</u></b>					
Public Safety Building	455,000.00	0.00	155,000.00	300,000.00	13,490.63
Land Purchase (H.Goethals)	90,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	60,000.00	2,681.25
Town Hall Renovation	3,970,000.00	0.00	235,000.00	3,735,000.00	112,206.26
Field Gallery Property	280,000.00	0.00	64,000.00	216,000.00	5,152.00
School Addition	710,000.00	0.00	365,000.00 *	345,000.00	37,275.00*
<b>Total - Long Term Debt</b>	<b>5,505,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>849,000.00</b>	<b>4,656,000.00</b>	<b>170,805.14</b>

\*West Tisbury paid a total of \$236,921.00 (the amount of the State Reimbursement) towards principal and interest; balance reimbursed by the Up-Island Regional School District.

<b><u>Short Term Debt</u></b>					
Library Renovation - ATM 04/10/2012	0.00	1,500,000.00	0.00	1,500,000.00	0.00
Reconstruction of Roads - ATM 04/10/2012	0.00	2,615,000.00	0.00	2,615,000.00	0.00
Police Station Construction - ATM 04/09/2013	0.00	2,495,000.00	0.00	2,495,000.00	0.00
<b>Total - Short Term Debt</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,610,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,610,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS**  
**July 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013**

	<u>Appropriation/ Balance Forward</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>	<u>Appropriation Balance</u>
<b>FY 2014 BUDGET</b>			
General Government			
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00	185.00	185.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	970.00	300.00	670.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Pers Serv	140,499.26	67,550.37	72,948.89
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	16,100.00	2,253.41	13,846.59
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	2,361.45	196.79	2,164.66
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	2,225.00	155.00	2,070.00
132-5700 Reserve Fund	46,000.00	0.00	46,000.00
133-5300 Annual Audit	11,500.00	1,725.00	9,775.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	83,738.35	40,603.76	43,134.59
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,520.00	462.06	1,057.94
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	125,967.50	58,018.25	67,949.25
141-5305 Assessors Legal	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	30,200.00	8,659.17	21,540.83
145-5110 Treasurer Salaries	76,818.59	38,409.28	38,409.31
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	4,720.00	435.23	4,284.77
146-5110 Collector Salaries	79,100.33	39,550.16	39,550.17
146-5700 Collector Expenses	17,685.00	7,861.64	9,823.36
151-5300 Legal	65,000.00	8,224.62	56,775.38
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	9,405.93	1,230.43	8,175.50
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	800.00	100.00	700.00
155-5120 Data Proc Pers Serv	3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	69,580.00	42,430.73	27,149.27
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	12,850.00	2,749.10	10,100.90
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	150.00	0.00	150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	46,927.80	23,463.96	23,463.84
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	1,655.00	96.69	1,558.31
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	1,600.00	0.00	1,600.00
162-5700 Elections Expenses	3,200.00	200.00	3,000.00
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00	50.00	200.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	43,311.91	20,260.87	23,051.04
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	3,350.00	1,505.93	1,844.07
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	42,329.48	18,461.71	23,867.77
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	6,245.00	682.22	5,562.78
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	60,799.75	25,208.81	35,590.94
176-5305 ZBA Legal	4,000.00	559.00	3,441.00
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	2,290.00	1,936.64	353.36
177-5600 MV Commission	121,075.00	121,075.00	0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	5,220.00	2,238.61	2,981.39



	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	550.00	86.00	464.00
179-5305 AHC Legal	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	68,460.00	37,266.80	31,193.20
193-5700 Property Insurance	73,323.56	73,323.56	0.00
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	6,200.00	0.00	6,200.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	250.00	0.00	250.00
Sub-total : General Government	1,344,148.91	658,265.80	685,883.11
Public Safety			
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	903,559.43	454,889.02	448,670.41
210-5700 Police Expenses	123,150.00	67,569.78	55,580.22
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	109,800.00	38,899.98	70,900.02
220-5700 Fire Expenses	171,300.00	62,726.28	108,573.72
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	182,600.72	0.00	182,600.72
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	108,305.23	49,852.46	58,452.77
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	8,695.00	3,423.58	5,271.42
291-5120 Emer Mgt Pers Serv	7,000.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
291-5700 Emer Mgt Expenses	5,220.00	2,264.49	2,955.51
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	61,238.22	26,474.91	34,763.31
292-5700 ACO Expenses	9,450.00	2,730.17	6,719.83
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Pers Serv	1,200.00	160.00	1,040.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	10,000.00	1,450.00	8,550.00
296-5700 Dutch Elm Disease	800.00	0.00	800.00
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	800.00	0.00	800.00
298-5120 Shellfish Pers Serv	5,000.00	2,475.00	2,525.00
298-5700 Shellfish Expenses	3,650.00	2,563.05	1,086.95
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	1,749,268.60	755,228.72	994,039.88
Education			
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	5,825,584.23	2,912,792.11	2,912,792.12
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,674,287.58	1,337,143.78	1,337,143.80
Sub-total : Education	8,499,871.81	4,249,935.89	4,249,935.92
Public Works			
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Srv	17,000.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	97,236.40	47,351.31	49,885.09
422-5700 Highway Expenses	60,580.00	14,391.01	46,188.99
423-5700 Snow & Ice	40,000.00	7,551.94	32,448.06
424-5700 Street Lights	8,180.00	2,707.28	5,472.72
Sub-total : Public Works	222,996.40	80,501.54	142,494.86
Sanitation			
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	50.00	0.00	50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	46,000.00	3,975.12	42,024.88
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	3,400.00	0.00	3,400.00
439-5600 MVRDRRD Intergov	112,127.46	55,971.65	56,155.81
Sub-total : Sanitation	161,577.46	59,946.77	101,630.69

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
Human Services			
522-5700 Health Services	17,636.00	6,864.00	10,772.00
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	2,500.00	965.12	1,534.88
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	19,350.00	5,499.51	13,850.49
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	81,900.33	40,039.73	41,860.60
510-5700 BOH Expenses	7,255.00	2,902.75	4,352.25
540-5700 M. V. Center for Living	39,593.28	19,796.64	19,796.64
541-5120 UpIsland COA Per Serv	215,998.13	102,381.18	113,616.95
541-5700 UpIsland COA Expense	16,825.00	12,237.56	4,587.44
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Sub-total : Human Services	408,057.74	192,186.49	215,871.25
Culture & Recreation			
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	323,285.65	140,084.72	183,200.93
610-5700 Library Expenses	130,050.00	63,603.03	66,446.97
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	830.00	332.00	498.00
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	19,945.62	9,113.10	10,832.52
620-5700 P&R Expenses	1,400.00	550.33	849.67
630-5700 Tennis Expenses	1,350.00	507.77	842.23
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	74,644.87	61,155.97	13,488.90
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	12,475.00	4,824.51	7,650.49
635-5120 Swim Instruct Pers Serv	2,932.56	0.00	2,932.56
635-5700 Swim Instruct Expenses	350.00	0.00	350.00
640-5120 Winter Rec Pers Serv	6,908.48	3,699.81	3,208.67
640-5700 Winter Rec Expenses	7,700.00	4,415.67	3,284.33
650-5700 Town Grounds	4,750.00	2,346.72	2,403.28
690-5700 Historic District	500.00	0.00	500.00
691-5700 Historical Commission	350.00	0.00	350.00
692-5600 Cultural Council	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	589,472.18	292,633.63	296,838.55
Debt Service			
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	589,200.00	715,388.11	(126,188.11)
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	108,055.00	50,445.52	57,609.48
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	89,965.00	51,437.50	38,527.50
Sub-total : Debt Service	787,220.00	817,271.13	(30,051.13)
Benefits			
911-5170 County Retirement	326,568.00	326,568.00	0.00
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	8,000.00	7,718.64	281.36
913-5170 Unemployment	2,000.00	1,465.00	535.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	601,500.00	327,495.82	274,004.18
915-5170 Life Insurance	2,100.00	997.20	1,102.80
916-5170 Employers Medicare	36,700.00	17,146.20	19,553.80
945-5740 Public Official Liability	14,200.00	13,995.00	205.00
Sub-total : Benefits	991,068.00	695,385.86	295,682.14
<b>TOTAL BUDGET ITEMS</b>	<b>14,753,681.10</b>	<b>7,801,355.83</b>	<b>6,952,325.27</b>

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
<b>FY 2014 STATE CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS</b>			
820-5600 State-Air Pollution	3,160.00	1,318.00	1,842.00
821-5600 State-RTA	109,169.00	45,489.00	63,680.00
824-5600 State Non-Renew MVE	5,220.00	1,759.00	3,461.00
830-5600 County Assessment	64,644.00	32,322.03	32,321.97
<b>TOTAL FY 2014</b>			
<b>CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>182,193.00</b>	<b>80,888.03</b>	<b>101,304.97</b>
<b>FY 2014 WARRANT ARTICLES</b>			
ATM 2013 Police Vehicle	32,100.00	32,009.53	90.47
ATM 2013 Fire Station 1 Generator	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
ATM 2013 School			
Administration Bldg	31,976.00	0.00	31,976.00
ATM 2013 DCRHA Assessment	38,105.00	38,105.00	0.00
ATM 2013 Terminated			
Employee Reserve	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
ATM 2013 Fire Truck Stabilization	70,000.00	0.00	70,000.00
ATM 2013 County Vineyard Health	41,381.50	20,690.75	20,690.75
ATM 2013 Assessors Revaluation	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
<b>TOTAL FY 2013</b>			
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>	<b>282,562.50</b>	<b>90,805.28</b>	<b>191,757.22</b>
<b>PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS</b>			
FY2013 Encumbrances			
FY 2012 Audit	550.00	0.00	550.00
Data Processing Conduit	2,319.28	2,319.28	0.00
Word Station Upgrades	3,914.00	0.00	3,914.00
Cemetery Mapping	2,327.54	0.00	2,327.54
Sub-total : FY2013 Encumbrances	9,110.82	2,319.28	6,791.54
Prior Year Warrant Articles			
ATM 2012 Police 4WD Vehicle	2,955.25	2,955.25	0.00
ATM 2012 Assessors Revaluation	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
ATM 2012 Fire Truck Acquisition	106,635.27	23,000.00	83,635.27
ATM 2012 Howes House Septic	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00
STM 11-2012 Police PSB	11,367.36	11,367.36	0.00
ATM 2013 Mill Brook			
Watershed Study	15,030.00	0.00	15,030.00
ATM 2013 Tritown Ambulance	39,000.00	39,000.00	0.00
ATM 2013 Highway Pickup	23,000.00	22,149.60	850.40
ATM 2013 Library form Dog Fund	2,897.19	0.00	2,897.19
ATM 2011 21 Triennial Revaluation	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
STM 11-11 Greenlands Maintenance	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
STM 06-2012 Howes House Lot	45,991.00	0.00	45,991.00
ATM 2010 Triennial Revaluation	11,254.20	4,500.00	6,754.20
ATM 2010 Hydrant Maintenance	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00

	<b>Appropriation/ Balance Forward</b>	<b>Year To Date</b>	<b>Appropriation Balance</b>
ATM 2010 Facilities Manager	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
ATM 2011 Police Cruiser	884.01	884.01	0.00
Balance of TH Renovation	23,974.54	0.00	23,974.54
ATM 2010 HH/Library Well	5,496.14	831.85	4,664.29
ATM 2010 Police Tactical Expense	140.39	107.00	33.39
ATM 2010 Microfiche Project	348.42	120.00	228.42
ATM 2010 Town Building Inspections	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
ATM 2008 Fire Hydrant Maintenance	4,430.20	0.00	4,430.20
ATM 2009 Headstone Repair	6,760.65	0.00	6,760.65
ATM 10-07 Estuary Study Year 3	12,000.00	8,160.69	3,839.31
ATM 2006 Estuary Study 2	13,750.00	13,750.00	0.00
ATM 2005 Estuary Study Year 1	13,750.00	13,750.00	0.00
Sub-total :			
Prior Year Warrant Articles	427,164.62	140,575.76	286,588.86
<b>TOTAL PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS</b>	<b>436,275.44</b>	<b>142,895.04</b>	<b>293,380.40</b>

## **REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

### **JUNE 30, 2013**

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To the Selectmen and Citizens of West Tisbury:

The Town began the fiscal year with \$5,505,000 in outstanding long-term direct debt, and we retired \$849,000 in principal. So, the year ended with \$4,656,000 in outstanding long-term direct debt. The Town also issued \$6,610,000 in new short-term debt for the construction phases of the Highway resurfacing, Library expansion/renovation, and new Police Station projects. In addition, the town shares responsibility for regional debt through entities such as the school and refuse districts. I invite you to review the annual report of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee for a projection of future capital spending, including projected borrowing.

We continued to receive substantial payments on parcels in tax title foreclosure, with a number of taxpayers entering into payment plan agreements. Fifteen parcels were paid off entirely, none were foreclosed, and seventeen had new tax liens recorded. So the year began with 18 and ended with 20 parcels with tax liens.

My reports on Receipts and Expenditures and on Assets follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Logue  
Treasurer

#### **BALANCE IN CASH AND INVESTMENT**

<b>ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2012:</b>	<b>\$5,026,566.53</b>
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#### **RECEIPTS:**

Total Receipts	\$24,641,078.15
(including taxes, interest and other investment income, bond proceeds, and departmental and miscellaneous receipts)	

#### **EXPENDITURES:**

Orders of Selectmen	(\$19,910,616.96)	
Less Voided Checks	\$1,046.55	
Net Expenditures:		(\$19,909,570.41)

#### **BALANCE IN CASH AND INVESTMENT**

<b>ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2013:</b>	<b>\$9,758,074.27</b>
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**REPORT OF ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2013**

<b>CASH/CHECKS IN OFFICE:</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT:</b>	<b>(\$39,031.57)</b>
<b>SAVINGS/NOW ACCOUNTS:</b>	
Library Postage	\$150.63
<b>SUBTOTAL, SAVINGS/NOW ACCOUNTS:</b>	<b>\$150.63</b>
<b>MONEY MARKET AND OTHER INVESTMENTS:</b>	
Affordable Housing Trust Fund	\$97,539.53
Ambulance Stabilization Fund	52,880.25
Bond Proceeds	2,999,118.77
Community Preservation Fund	1,176,128.29
Conservation Fund	63,236.67
Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund	1,703.91
Floss E. Mayhew Fund (Cemetery)	1,139.32
ICS Investment	1,229,393.60
Jessie C. Martin Fund (Library)	272.51
Library Construction Project	2,817,789.75
Library Gift Fund	29,188.17
M. V. Regional Cultural Council	43,887.01
Perpetual Care (Cemetery)	59,080.93
Priscilla Hancock Fund (Library)	7,234.73
Project Review/53G Account	13,487.84
Stabilization Fund (Undesignated)	490,469.01
Sweep/Investment Money Market	709,750.96
Tax Revenue Lockbox	0.00
William T. Rotch Fund (Cemetery)	4,553.96
<b>SUBTOTAL, INVESTMENTS:</b>	<b>\$9,796,855.21</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS:</b>	<b>\$9,758,074.27</b>

## **REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN**

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Hello All,

This past year was a slow one; the main activity being answering calls about the new Gall Wasp. Yes it's here, and no there is no proven control yet. The local arboretum and regional universities are researching the problem and I will stay informed.

Here are the highlights of the last season. Thank you to all the contractors, committee members, professors, workers and town hall office for helping me serve.

7 dead trees removed from town road sides

45 phone calls from town residents with questions or concerns

3 board meetings attended

14 site visits

2 days of pruning work

As I do every year, I attended the annual New England Grows Conference in Boston and was able to see the latest in techniques, tools and ideas, and speak with many industry professionals about the issues, bugs and diseases of concern in our area.

As always, I am happy to serve.

Sincerely,

Jeremiah Brown  
Tree Warden

## **REPORT OF THE TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE**

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To the Honorable Board of Selectman  
and Residents of the Town of West Tisbury:

Tri-Town Ambulance is proudly staffed by a team of dedicated and well trained Emergency Medical Technicians (at the Basic, Intermediate, and Paramedic levels) who are committed to serving their island community. Tri-Town Ambulance continues to change and adapt to the changing needs of its community, as well as its residents. The volunteers, that make up the majority of Tri-Town Ambulance, are dedicated to providing top notch care to both summer and year round residents, and without them Tri-Town Ambulance would not be able to function.

There are several significant changes that have occurred over the past year.

- Tri-Town Ambulance is now a 24 hour, paramedic covered, service. In years past paramedics would be shared during night shifts, with the neighboring Tisbury Ambulance Service, in a joint effort to provide 24/7 paramedic coverage. As of July, Tri-Town now has at least one paramedic dedicated to its service 24/7 in an effort to provide the most efficient and beneficial care to its residents.
- In September of this year, Tri-Town Ambulance purchased a 2013 F550 Braun Ambulance, which will replace the 2001 E450 Ambulance that is currently housed in West Tisbury. The ambulance was purchased through Bulldog Fire Apparatus at a discounted rate due to membership in the North Central Emergency Medical Cooperative. Delivery of the ambulance is expected in February, 2014.
- In addition to a new ambulance, we have also received a 1997 Ford Expedition Cruiser, from the West Tisbury Police Department. This donation was used to replace one of our aging response vehicles.
- Due to a grant, written by Deputy Chief Alex Schaeffer of the Edgartown Fire Department, every ambulance service received brand new LifePak 15 cardiac monitors. The LifePak 15 cardiac monitor is the top of the line cardiac monitor and contains several new features and life saving interventions. Along with the monitor came several accessories that allow the machine to be portable and assist patient's right in their homes.
- During the visit of President Obama, Tri-Town Ambulance was able to serve the President by assisting in the Presidential Motorcade. With an ambulance donated by Tisbury Ambulance, and with the assistance of island paramedics, a double paramedic ambulance traveled with the President throughout his stay.



•With a donation from the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head, and Natural Resources Director Bret Stearns, Tri-Town Ambulance received two Lucas CPR Machines. The Lucas CPR Machine performs artificial chest compressions during a cardiac arrest and minimizes pauses in chest compressions, which studies have shown yields higher survival rates. In return for this donation, Tri-Town will sponsor tribal members who take the EMT-basic course.

This year remained a busy year, below are the reported runs for the year ending December 31, 2013:

Total Ambulance Runs: **365**

- West Tisbury: **201** Ambulance Runs (55.1% of total ambulance runs)
  - Medical Emergencies: **173**
  - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **23**
  - Fire Standby: **5**
- Chilmark: **99** Ambulance Runs (27.1%)
  - Medical Emergencies: **82**
  - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **12**
  - Fire Standby: **5**
- Aquinnah: **51** ambulance runs (13.9%)
  - Medical Emergencies: **50**
  - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **0**
  - Fire Standby: **1**
- Mutual Aid to Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and CuttyHunk:  
**14** Ambulance Runs (3.9%)

Tri-Town Ambulance would like to thank its Committee members for their continued service and guidance. The committee is comprised of one selectman from each of the three towns as well the medical director from MVH. This year Selectman Cynthia Mitchell assumed the role as chairperson, taking over from Selectman Jonathan Mayhew.

The committee members are as follows:

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| • West Tisbury-    | Selectman Cynthia Mitchell (Chairperson) |
| • Chilmark-        | Selectman Jonathan Mayhew                |
| • Aquinnah-        | Selectman James Newman                   |
| • Medical Control- | Dr. Jeffery Zack                         |

We would like to thank the following organizations/people for their continued support over the past year. Without these organizations, we would not be able to provide the highest level of patient care to the people of Tri-Town.

- West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah Fire Departments
- West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah Police Departments
- The Dukes County Sheriff's Department:  
Communication Center Dispatchers
- Tisbury, Oak Bluffs and Edgartown Ambulance Services

- Martha's Vineyard Hospital – Emergency Department Personnel
- Bardwell Electronics
- The Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah)
- SBS
- Mr. Bret Stearns
- Mr. Christopher Cowan

Without the members of the squad, Tri-Town Ambulance would not function. These EMTs make themselves available year round to ensure that the people of their community receive high quality medical care in a timely manner. Please join us in our deep admiration and gratitude for the following:

**Full Time Staff:**

Paul “Zeke” Wilkins-Chief  
Benjamin Retmier-Deputy Chief  
Jason Hallett-Captain  
Matthew Montanile-Lieutenant

**EMT-Paramedics:**

Stephanie Andrade Rogers  
Hadley Antik  
Renee Atherton  
Jason Blandini  
Chris Cini  
Christopher Cowan  
Kyle Gatchell  
Tracey Jones  
Brendan Murphy  
Jeff Pratt

**EMT-Intermediates:**

Peter Tennant

**EMT-Basics:**

Andrew Bauer  
Julie Catwright  
Curtis Chandler  
Gary Coates  
Roger Cook  
Curtis Chandler  
Gary Coates  
Diane Demoe  
Alan Ganapol  
Dawn Gompert  
Ruby Gude  
Pierce Harrer  
Bruce and Jennifer Haynes  
Audrey Jeffers-Mayhew  
Haley Krauss  
Jennifer McCann  
Heather McElhinney  
Max Moreis  
Jim Osmundsen  
Farley Pedler  
Elizabeth Rohr  
Eamonn Solway  
Garrison Vieira  
Cindy West  
Kristina West

Respectfully submitted,

Paul “Zeke” Wilkins  
Ambulance Chief

## REPORT OF THE THE UP-ISLAND COUNCIL ON AGING CENTER

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To the Board of Selectmen:

The Up-Island Council on Aging (UPICOA) and Senior Center is a branch of municipal government of the Towns of West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah. We are responsible for the administration, development and coordination of elder programs. We are committed to expanding our programs to meet the ever-changing interests and needs of elders. Funding sources include local tax dollars, grants from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs and the Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging. The Senior Center is open for both scheduled and drop in activities from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday - Friday; and is home to a variety of social/cultural, educational and health programs. These programs resulted in the utilization of the senior center for an average of 164 hours per month in 2013.

- 25 % of the total population of West Tisbury is 60 years of age & over
- 44% of the total population of Chilmark is 60 years of age & over
- 24% of the total population of Aquinnah is 60 years of age & over
- 19.4% of the total population of MA is 60 years of age & over

**The proportion of Massachusetts's population that is 60 & older is growing more rapidly than other components of the population. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than 25% of Massachusetts's population will be 60 & older by the year 2030, an increase of 33% from 2012.**

### Service Indicator Highlights January 1 – December 31, 2013 Unduplicated Count

Approximately 875 (increase of 10.7% since 2012) up-island residents (seasonal & year-round) sixty years of age and older and 52 individuals under the age of sixty received services and/or participated in our programs in 2013.

#### **Social, Recreational & Cultural Programs**

##### **328 individuals participated in the following:**

Day Trips (theatre, museums, symphony)

Recreational games (bridge, Mah Jong)

Lobster Picnic

Holiday Events

Annual Cookout

Rug Hooking

Off-Island Shopping Trips

#### **Direct Service Programs**

##### **396 seniors received direct services in the following areas:**

Surplus Food Distribution

File of Life (medical info. cards)

Fuel Assistance

Notary Public Services

Housing Assistance	*Health Insurance Counseling
Transportation	Home Repair Program
Food Shopping Assistance	Telephone Reassurance Calls
Legal Assistance (Elder Law Project)	Respite Care
Client Support (assistance with	Lifeline
errands, companionship & socialization)	Case Management
FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Association)	
Friendly Visitor Program	

**\* 237 folks received Health Insurance Counseling in 2012.**

#### **In-Kind Services and Goods**

Durable Medical Equipment	
Fish (M.V. Bluefish Derby)	DVDS/Books on Tape
Hardcover Books (COA Library)	
Reusable Shopping bags (Cronig's Market)	
Fresh Vegetables (Island Gleaners)	

#### **Educational Programs**

**295 people participated in the following educational programs:**

Community Education Talks	Computer Classes
Writing Group	Watercolor Classes
Book Group	* Discussion Group

**\*The Discussion Group continues to have the highest attendance at 186 people in 2013.**

#### **Nutrition Programs**

**50 individuals participated in the following nutrition programs:**

Congregate Lunch (holiday meals included)  
Home Delivered Meals

#### **Health & Fitness Programs**

**266 individuals received and /or participated in the following:**

Podiatry Services	*Strength Training Class
T'ai Chi Chih	Parkinson's Support Group
Yoga Group	Pilates
Health Talks	Qi Gong

Smile Program (Free dental checks & cleanings)

**\*Strength training continues to be the most popular wellness class; with 114 individuals attending in 2013**

#### **Health Programs Sponsored by the Up-Island Boards of Health:**

**58 elders received the following services and/or participated in the following:**

Monthly Blood Pressure Checks & Nursing Clinics)  
Health Promotion Visits (In-home health assessment conducted by a R.N.)

#### **Outreach Program**

The Outreach Program provides for individual case management. The Outreach Worker's primary role is to ensure that basic needs for housing, food,

mobility, socialization and access to health care are being met. Emphasis is placed on those who are isolated and/or homebound by assisting them in defining their needs, and to facilitate access to meet those needs. The Outreach Worker assists elders in navigating through the seemingly endless amount of paperwork required to participate in state and federal service programs. Outreach services range from reassurance calls to crisis intervention. These services are especially helpful to families of elders who are acting as caregivers for at-risk family members. **The Outreach Program served 89 elders in 2013.**

#### **UPICOA Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors is appointed by the Boards of Selectmen representing the Towns of West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah. The Board consists of nine voting members, three each from the participating towns.

#### **Volunteers**

Thirty volunteers contributed approximately 430 hours in 2013. We estimate the fair market value of their services to exceed \$8,500.

Friendly Visitors	General Office Help
Drivers (errands & M.D. appts.)	Lunch Servers
Meals on Wheel Drivers	Community Education Speakers
Tax Preparers	Special Event Organizers
Book Group Facilitator	Fish Baggers
Watercolor Instruction	Writing Group Facilitator

#### **Formula Grants**

Formula Grant funding is provided by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs. The Up-Island Council on Aging applied for and received \$13,532 for the following:

- Defray utility costs (oil heat, electricity & telephone)
- Internet Services
- Provide for meeting/conference attendance
- Defray transportation costs to off-island meetings
- Office computer, equipment & furnishings

#### **COA Staff**

Longtime COA Secretary/receptionist Helen Brown retired in December. Helen volunteered at the COA for three years before becoming a permanent staff member in 2004. We thank her for thirteen years of dedicated service. She will be sorely missed.

#### **Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging**

Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging (FOUICOA) is a non-profit support agency formed in 1987 to raise funds for the benefit of the Up-Island Council on Aging and Senior Center. The Friends enable the COA to provide services and programs beyond those that can be afforded through tax and grant income. The Friends generously contributed **\$9,200** in 2013 for the following:

Grounds Maintenance	Interior Maintenance
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Special Program Support

Monthly Cell Phone Service

**(Friends' Gift Fund)**

Many of our seniors are especially vulnerable due to the economic downturn and are struggling to put food on the table, pay heating bills, purchase prescription drugs, along with other everyday expenses. The Friends, concerned about the welfare of our elderly population on fixed incomes, established a Gift Fund to provide assistance paying for heating costs and food. Twenty-seven households received a total of \$11,000 to pay for heat and food. The Gift Fund is administered by the COA Director and Outreach Worker.

In closing, I would like to thank each and every volunteer, paid program instructors, COA staff and Board members for bringing their motivation, skills, dependability, conscientiousness, and positive influence to the COA.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bowker, Director

## **REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

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To the Board of Selectmen:

### **The ZBA heard the following cases in 2013**

#### **Case 2013-01 January 13**

Falcon Properties: LLC; 59 Capawock Road; Map 3 Lot 38; Rural District. An appeal to the Building Inspectors decision. It is the Inspector's decision that the steep rock barrier slope proposed for a swimming pool is insufficient as the building code's mandated safety barrier. Application withdrawn before notice.

#### **Case 2013-1A January 10**

Chris Castanon/Falcon Properties LLC: 8 Norton Farm Road; Map 1-23 Rural District. A request for special permits for: 1) to demolish and rebuild on the non-conforming setback and extending the houses size; 2) over 676 sq. ft. garage with bath and bedroom above on an under 3 acre lot; 3) Swimming pool. The board voted to accept his withdrawal of the application.

#### **Case 2013-02 January 24**

Atlantic Pool, Inc. on behalf of Stephen and Ellie Wise: 49 Lamberts Cove; Map 11, Lot 25.21, Rural District. Request for Special Permit for an 18' by 42' in-ground pool was granted with conditions

#### **Case 2013-03 January 24**

Wesley and Dr. Lisa Nagy: Map 7 Lot 102.22; 43 Duck Pond Road; Rural District. Request for Special Permit for a home occupation. A small scale school, educational/health facility for environmental health. Application withdrawn without prejudice.

#### **Case 2013-04 February 21**

Maria Watson: 177 Charles Neck Way; Map 36 Lot 31; Rural District. Request for Special Permit for setback relief to build a 24' by 24' garage with a bedroom which at its nearest point would be 15' from the W bound. Application granted with conditions.

#### **Case 2013-05 February 21**

Phyllis Segal: 40 Plum Bush Point Rd, Map 35 Lot 6.3; Rural District. For a Special Permit to alter and extend a non-conforming building; the conversion of a screened porch that is 48' from a sideline into a dining room. Application granted.

#### **Case 2013-06 February 21**

Scarlet & Rex Jarrell: 1153 State Road, Map 32, Lot 109; Rural District. For a special permit for a 24' by 60' in ground swimming pool for family use with associated pool equipment and fence. Application was granted.

**Case 2013-07 March 14**

Jeremiah Brown: 2 Holly Lane; Map 16 Lot 193; Rural District. Request for Special Permit for a 20' of setback relief on the NW side; To erect a 14' by 16', 10' high green-house hoop structure to be 30' at nearest point from NW bound was granted.

**Case 2013-08 March 28**

Randy Kamen-Gredinger and Martin Gredinger: 31 Josiah Sachem Way, Map 16 Lot 90, Rural District. A request for a special permit for a home occupation offering individual therapy to no more than 10 patients per week and one or two groups per week. Martin Gredinger seeks a special permit to see 5 clients a week as a CPA. This is a modification of a June application that was denied, but which the Planning Board and Zoning Board have deemed is sufficiently changed to be heard again. Application granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-09 April 18, 2013 continued to May 2, 2013  
continued to May 16, 2013.**

Sharon Edell: 1070 State Road, Map 32 Lot 90, Village Residential District. Request for a special permit for a home occupation business- massage was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-09A April 11**

Anthony B. Gude: 600 State Road, Map 15 Lot 73, Rural District; Request for Special Permit for setback relief to build a shed/studio space less than 50' feet from the lot line. Application incomplete, no action taken.

**Case 2013-10 April 18 and May 2**

Susan L Holmes: 16 Looks Pond Way, Map 32, Lot 46, Village Residential. A request for a Special Permit to move an existing shed to 12' from the lot line. Application granted with conditions.

**Case 2013 - 11 May 15**

Thi Khen Tran: 29 Great Plains Road, Map 10 Lot 32. A request for a Special Permit to construct a wood-fired oven with a 5' x 7' hearth. Application not complete. No action taken.

**Case 2013-12 May 28**

Matthew Sudarsky: 119 Charles Neck Way, Map 29 Lot 66, Rural District. Request for a special permit for a 1,444 sq. ft. garage with non-habitable storage space on the 2nd floor, located 35 feet from the southeast lot line. The structure will meet the frontage requirements of 100 feet. Application granted. The application for an accessory apartment was withdrawn without prejudice.

**Case 2013-13 May 22**

Charles P. Pachico: 10 Pioneer Lane, Map 16 Lot 203.4, Rural District. A request for a Special Permit to replace two hoop tents currently used for storage with a single wood structure over 676 sq. ft. Application granted.



**Case 2013-14 June 13**

Marc Daniels: 67 Hidden Village Road, Map 12 Lot 4, Rural District. A request for a special permit for an in-ground swimming pool for family use with associated pool equipment, patio and fence. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-15 June 13**

SB Vineyard LLC: 271 John Cottle Road; Map 6 Lot 6, Rural District. Request for a special permit for an in-ground swimming pool for family use with associated pool equipment, deck, pool house and fencing. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-16 June 27**

Michael Gately: 8 Norton Farm Road; Map 1 Lot 23, Rural District. Request for a special permit for the demolition of an existing home and construction of a new in the existing footprint of the current structure. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-17 August 29**

Dr. Edward Caldwell: Osprey Point Corporation: 20 Indian Hill Road, Map 16 Lot 86 Mixed Business District. Request for a special permit to allow a mixed use building. The doctor's office will be 1980 sq. ft. and upstairs owner occupied living quarters will be 1092 sq. ft. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-18 August 29**

John F. Spindler: 133 Vineyard Meadow Farms Road, Map 29 Lot 19, Rural District. Request for a special permit to construct a 24' by 24' single story garage to be 10' from the SW bound. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-19 August 15**

Michael Lynch on behalf of Colman and Elizabeth Shattuck: 23 Hidden Village Road, Map 11 Lot 15, Rural District. Request for Special Permit for a 38' by 26' garage, with a 2nd story to be used for storage space the structure will be 25' in height with a pitched roof. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-20 August 29**

**Geraldine Brooks: 16 Mill Road, Map 32 Lot 48, Rural District.**

Request for a special permit to re-construct an existing swimming pool to be 16' by 38' and to more eco-friendly and safer than current pool and with required safety fence. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-21 September 11**

Broadway Electric Co. Inc.: 46 Old Stage Road, Map 16 Lot 234, Rural District. Request for a special permit for the installation of a 733.3 KW ground mount photo voltaic solar generating system at the capped landfill. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-22 September 26 and October 17**

Gene Erez: 20 Farms End Road, Map 16 Lot 120, Rural District.

Request for a special permit for a garage with a detached bedroom above. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-23 September 26**

Cynthia C. Bloomquist: 19 Skiff's Lane, Map 17 Lot 3.46, Rural District.

Request for a special permit for the installation of a manmade pond over two feet (2') deep and fencing. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-24 September 26, October 24 and October 31**

James A. Hart: 56 Indian Hill Road, Map 16 Lot 82, Mixed Use Business District. An application for an appeal of an order by the local inspector to demolish a foundation. ZBA voted unanimously to uphold the decision of the Building Inspector. Applicant appeals decision of the WTZBA, dated November 12, 2013.

**Case 2013-25 October 3**

Bernadette & Christopher Ottiano: 83 Skiffs Lane, Map 17 Lot 3.38. Request for a special permit to build a detached two car garage with a bedroom above. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-26 October 3**

Elizabeth J. Carroll: 39 Old County Road, Map 10 Lot 19.1, Rural District. Request for a special permit for a home skin care business. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-27 October 17**

Thomas & Makena Herget: 4 Windy Way, Map 1 Lot 2 Request for a special permit for the renovation and addition to an existing non-conforming single family residence. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-28 October 17**

Stephen Schultz: 11 Winnecoette Ave, Map 1 Lot 48.23, Rural District. Request for a special permit for the installation of an 18'x 42' swimming pool. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-29 October 31**

Hunter Moorman & Leslie Gray: 106 Panhandle Road, Map 25 Lot 18.3, Rural District. Request for a special permit for setback relief for the construction of an addition. Application was granted.

**Case 2013-30 October 31**

Diane Lisman: 10 Nip & Tuck Lane, Map 11 Lot 59.1 Rural District. Request for a special permit for an 18'x42' boat barn with a 384 sq. ft. bedroom on the second floor. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-31 November 14**

Ben & Nicole Cabot: 35 Old Courthouse Road, Map 22 Lot 19 Rural District. Request for a special permit for an 800 sq. ft. accessory apartment. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-32 November 14**

Andy Estrella: 129 Oak Lane, Map 17 Lot 68 Rural District. Request for a special permit for a home based business with plan for a renovation on the detached garage. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-33 December 5**

Dorothy Whiting: 7 Parsonage Woods, Map 32 Lot 121 Rural District. Request for a special permit to construct a one story 25' by 35' dog kennel with a 7 dog run. Application was withdrawn.

**Case 2013-34 December 5**

Melissa Dribben: 2 Duck Pond Road, Map 7 Lot 48, Rural District. Request for a special permit to change a workshop into a detached bedroom. Application was granted with conditions.

**Case 2013-35 December 12**

Jenni & Robby Bick: 12 Cournoyer Road, Map 16 Lot 98.17, Mixed Use Business. Request for a special permit to operate an internet only retail operation in an existing building which is over 3000 sq. Application was granted with conditions.

Julie Keefe retired after 19 years of dedicated service to the town of West Tisbury. For the past 15 years, in her job as zoning administrator, she became an expert on zoning, and with patience and compassion led the public and the board through the zoning process. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

The board would also like to thank Eric Whitman for his 33 years of exceptional volunteer service. As "El Jefe", he led with an even hand, respectful and fair to all. The board welcomes our new administrator Clare Harrington, who previously worked for the Edgartown District Court.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger W. Hubbell Jr., Chairman  
Robert M. Schwier, II. Vice Chairman  
Antoni M. Cohen  
Anthony Higgins, Jr.  
Nancy M. Cole  
Lawrence Schubert

## **TOWN OF WEST TISBURY TOWN MEETING PROCEDURES**

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The Moderator regulates the conduct of the Town Meetings, decides all questions of order, and declares the result of all votes. No one may address the meeting without recognition by the Moderator and all statements are to be addressed to the Moderator; the purpose of this is to eliminate personal debate across the arena of the meeting.

The Moderator may alter the order in which articles are brought to the floor, may reword an article for purposes of clarity, and has the duty of maintaining order by any or all of the means provided by the statutes. It is the duty of the Moderator to assist any citizen of the Town before or during the meeting as to procedure, the writing of articles to be submitted by petition, the writing of amendments to articles in the warrant, or on any other matter pertaining to the meeting.

### **Motions**

An article is brought to the floor by a motion and a second. The motion is best made for the passage of the article since negative motions often lead to great misunderstanding during the voting process. If a negative motion is made which is likely to lead to such misunderstanding, the Moderator may decline to accept it.

### **Amendments to Motions**

Any voter may offer an amendment to the motion under discussion provided the amendment does not enlarge or significantly alter the scope of the original motion. In articles carrying an appropriation, this leeway is 20 to 25 percent in either direction. This also holds for line items in the budget article. The amendments are required to be seconded and require a majority to be carried. Only one amendment will be considered at a time, and in the interest of clarity, voters are encouraged to submit amendments in writing. Assistance in framing amendments may be secured before the meeting from the Moderator or the Selectmen; if the issue is of importance, the meeting may be recessed briefly for this purpose.

### **Postponement**

There are various means of interrupting or deferring consideration of an article. Motions "to table" or to "limit debate" require a two-thirds plurality. A motion "to postpone indefinitely" requires a majority and is best used not as a means of keeping the meeting from voting on an article but where it is evident that the article has not addressed itself to the complexities of the issue and should be rewritten for presentation at another town meeting.

**Points of Order**

If a voter wishes to question the legality or propriety of the proceedings, he may rise, interrupt the speaker and declare that he is rising to a point of order. He must then declare what his point is. If a voter questions the declaration of the Moderator's ruling on a vote taken, he may rise and so state and if six additional citizens also rise, the vote will be repeated.

**Process of Voting**

The process of voting, whether by voice, by raised hand, by rising, or by written ballot, is determined by the Moderator. But if a fair number of citizens indicate a desire for a written ballot, there is little doubt that the Moderator will so rule even though they are fewer than a majority.

**Reconsideration**

An article once voted upon does not become the final decision of the meeting until the meeting is dissolved. This means that there may be a motion to reconsider the article at a later period in the meeting, and such reconsideration requires a majority vote. A move to reconsider may not be made simply to have another chance at winning one's point, and therefore can only be made by one who has voted on the winning side of a motion but who later as a result of additional information or further consideration believes that the meeting may change its decision. In meetings which take more than one meeting, an announcement must be made before the meeting is adjourned to another night that a motion to reconsider one or another article will be made. In unusual circumstances when new and substantive information is brought to the attention of the Moderator between meetings, he may make an exception to this rule.

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2014  
EXPENDITURES - FY 2013; APPROPRIATIONS - FY 2014;  
BUDGET PROPOSALS - FY 2015**

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
		\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
<b>MODERATOR</b>					
114-5110	Elected Official, Salary	370	370	<b>370.00</b>	370.00
114-5700	Expenses	675	970	<b>970.00</b>	970.00
	Total Moderator	<u>1,045</u>	<u>1,340</u>	<b>1,340.00</b>	1,340.00
<b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>					
122-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$5,000	10,000	10,000	<b>11,050.00</b>	11,050.00
122-5120	Personal Services	134,384	140,499	<b>143,073.05</b>	143,073.05
122-5700	Expenses	7,366	11,100	<b>9,500.00</b>	9,500.00
122-5780	Miscellaneous/ Consultant Expense	13,519	5,000	<b>5,000.00</b>	5,000.00
	Total Board of Selectmen	<u>165,269</u>	<u>166,599</u>	<b>168,623.05</b>	168,623.05
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>					
131-5120	Personal Services	799	2,361	<b>2,516.85</b>	2,516.85
131-5700	Expenses	902	2,225	<b>2,225.00</b>	2,225.00
	Total Finance Committee	<u>1,701</u>	<u>4,586</u>	<b>4,741.85</b>	4,741.85
<b>RESERVE FUND</b>					
132-5700	Expenses (Transfers)		46,000	<b>46,000.00</b>	46,000.00
	Total Reserve Fund		<u>46,000</u>	<b>46,000.00</b>	46,000.00
<b>ANNUAL AUDIT</b>					
133-5700	Expenses	10,450	11,500	<b>12,000.00</b>	12,000.00
	Total Annual Audit	<u>10,450</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<b>12,000.00</b>	12,000.00
<b>TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>					
135-5120	Personal Services	80,935	83,738	<b>86,337.43</b>	86,337.43
135-5700	Expenses	1,482	1,520	<b>1,520.00</b>	1,520.00
	Total Town Accountant	<u>82,418</u>	<u>85,258</u>	<b>87,857.43</b>	87,857.43
<b>BOARD OF ASSESSORS</b>					
141-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$1,000	3,000	3,000	<b>3,000.00</b>	3,000.00
141-5120	Personal Services	126,790	125,968	<b>131,141.10</b>	131,141.10
141-5305	Legal Services	0	30,000	<b>30,000.00</b>	30,000.00
141-5700	Expenses	14,023	30,200	<b>30,375.00</b>	30,375.00
	Total Board of Assessors	<u>143,813</u>	<u>189,168</u>	<b>194,516.10</b>	194,516.10
<b>TOWN TREASURER</b>					
145-5110	Elected Official, Salary	74,980	76,819	<b>80,224.61</b>	80,224.61
145-5700	Expenses	2,525	4,720	<b>4,720.00</b>	4,720.00
	Total Town Treasurer	<u>77,505</u>	<u>81,539</u>	<b>84,944.61</b>	84,944.61
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>					
146-5110	Elected Official, Salary	77,207	79,100	<b>81,841.56</b>	81,841.56
146-5700	Expenses	16,616	17,685	<b>19,285.00</b>	19,285.00
	Total Tax Collector	<u>93,824</u>	<u>96,785</u>	<b>101,126.56</b>	101,126.56

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>LEGAL SERVICES</b>					
151-5305	Expenses	41,168	65,000	<b>60,000.00</b>	60,000.00
	Total Legal Services	41,168	65,000	<b>60,000.00</b>	60,000.00
<b>PERSONNEL BOARD</b>					
152-5120	Personal Services	3,734	9,406	<b>10,017.72</b>	10,017.72
152-5700	Expenses	179	800	<b>800.00</b>	800.00
	Total Personnel Board	3,913	10,206	<b>10,817.72</b>	10,817.72
<b>DATA PROCESSING</b>					
155-5120	Personal Services	3,500	3,500	<b>3,500.00</b>	3,500.00
155-5700	Expenses	56,727	69,580	<b>71,520.00</b>	71,520.00
	Total Data Processing	60,227	73,080	<b>75,020.00</b>	75,020.00
<b>TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE</b>					
158-5305	Legal Services	10,657	12,850	<b>10,750.00</b>	10,750.00
158-5700	Expenses	0	150	<b>150.00</b>	150.00
	Total Tax Title Foreclosure	10,657	13,000	<b>10,900.00</b>	10,900.00
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>					
161-5110	Elected Official, Salary	43,628	46,928	<b>50,020.65</b>	50,020.65
161-5700	Expenses	420	1,655	<b>1,655.00</b>	1,655.00
	Total Town Clerk	44,048	48,583	<b>51,675.65</b>	51,675.65
<b>ELECTIONS</b>					
162-5120	Personal Services	2,087	1,600	<b>2,300.00</b>	2,300.00
162-5700	Expenses	4,790	3,200	<b>3,100.00</b>	3,100.00
	Total Elections	6,876	4,800	<b>5,400.00</b>	5,400.00
<b>BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>					
163-5120	Personal Services	250	250	<b>250.00</b>	250.00
163-5700	Expenses	985	1,050	<b>900.00</b>	900.00
	Total Board of Registrars	1,235	1,300	<b>1,150.00</b>	1,150.00
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>					
171-5120	Personal Services	40,436	43,312	<b>43,935.35</b>	43,935.35
171-5700	Expenses	1,870	3,350	<b>3,350.00</b>	3,350.00
	Total Conservation Commission	42,306	46,662	<b>47,285.35</b>	47,285.35
<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>					
175-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 5 @ \$1,000	5,000	5,000	<b>5,000.00</b>	5,000.00
175-5120	Personal Services	48,544	42,329	<b>44,927.63</b>	44,927.63
175-5700	Expenses	2,701	6,245	<b>6,245.00</b>	6,245.00
	Total Planning Board	56,246	53,574	<b>56,172.63</b>	56,172.63
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS</b>					
176-5120	Personal Services	57,386	60,800	<b>44,626.32</b>	44,626.32
176-5305	Legal Services	1,183	4,000	<b>4,000.00</b>	4,000.00
176-5700	Expenses	1,893	2,290	<b>3,725.00</b>	3,725.00
	Total Board of Appeals	60,461	67,090	<b>52,351.32</b>	52,351.32

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION</b>					
177-5600	Intergovernmental	107,373	121,075	138,250.00	138,250.00
	Total Martha's Vineyard Comm.	107,373	121,075	138,250.00	138,250.00
<b>AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE</b>					
180-5120	Personal Services	5,172	5,220	8,742.00	8,742.00
180-5305	Legal Services	518	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
180-5700	Expenses	321	550	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Total Affordable Housing Comm.	6,011	8,770	12,742.00	12,742.00
<b>TOWN HALL</b>					
192-5700	Expenses	64,191	68,460	73,050.00	73,050.00
	Total Town Hall	64,191	68,460	73,050.00	73,050.00
<b>TOWN PROPERTY INSURANCE</b>					
193-5700	Expenses	62,500	65,100	87,000.00	87,000.00
	Total Property Insurance	62,500	65,100	87,000.00	87,000.00
<b>TOWN REPORTS</b>					
195-5700	Expenses	4,990	6,200	6,000.00	6,000.00
	Total Town Reports	4,990	6,200	6,000.00	6,000.00
<b>TOWN CLOCK</b>					
196-5120	Personal Services	0	250	250.00	250.00
	Total Town Clock	0	250	250.00	250.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
		1,148,226	1,335,925	1,389,214.27	1,389,214.27
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>					
210-5120	Personal Services	841,477	903,559	964,706.99	964,706.99
210-5700	Expenses	116,417	123,150	127,130.00	127,130.00
	Total Police Department	957,893	1,026,709	1,091,836.99	1,091,836.99
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>					
220-5120	Personal Services	89,020	109,800	134,000.00	134,000.00
220-5700	Expenses	160,775	171,300	186,600.00	186,600.00
	Total Fire Department	249,795	281,100	320,600.00	320,600.00
<b>TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE</b>					
231-5600	Intergovernmental	180,551	182,601	197,508.73	197,508.73
	Total Tri-Town Ambulance	180,551	182,601	197,508.73	197,508.73
<b>INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS</b>					
241-5120	Personal Services	114,024	108,305	115,549.85	115,549.85
241-5700	Expenses	2,224	8,695	10,555.00	10,555.00
	Total Inspector of Buildings	116,249	117,000	126,104.85	126,104.85
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>					
291-5120	Personal Services	7,000	7,000	9,000.00	9,000.00
291-5700	Expenses	3,614	5,220	5,970.00	5,970.00
	Total Emergency Management	10,614	12,220	14,970.00	14,970.00



Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b>					
292-5120	Personal Services	55,059	61,238	<b>62,177.07</b>	62,177.07
292-5700	Expenses	<u>7,041</u>	<u>9,450</u>	<b>9,400.00</b>	9,400.00
	Total Animal Control Officer	62,100	70,688	<b>71,577.07</b>	71,577.07
<b>TREE WARDEN</b>					
294-5110	Elected Official, Salary	2,500	2,500	<b>2,500.00</b>	2,500.00
294-5120	Personal Services	1,120	1,200	<b>1,200.00</b>	1,200.00
294-5700	Expenses	<u>9,825</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<b>10,000.00</b>	10,000.00
	Total Tree Warden	13,445	13,700	<b>13,700.00</b>	13,700.00
<b>DUTCH ELM DISEASE</b>					
296-5700	Expenses	<u>800</u>	<u>800</u>	<b>800.00</b>	800.00
	Total Dutch Elm Disease	800	800	<b>800.00</b>	800.00
<b>INSECT PEST CONTROL</b>					
297-5700	Expenses	<u>875</u>	<u>800</u>	<b>1,400.00</b>	1,400.00
	Total Insect Pest Control	875	800	<b>1,400.00</b>	1,400.00
<b>SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT</b>					
298-5120	Personal Services	5,000	5,000	<b>5,000.00</b>	5,000.00
298-5700	Expenses	<u>1,825</u>	<u>3,650</u>	<b>3,650.00</b>	3,650.00
	Total Shellfish Department	6,825	8,650	<b>8,650.00</b>	8,650.00
<b>MV SHELLFISH GROUP</b>					
299-5700	Expenses	<u>33,000</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<b>36,000.00</b>	36,000.00
	Total M.V. Shellfish Group	33,000	35,000	<b>36,000.00</b>	36,000.00
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		<u>1,632,148</u>	<u>1,749,269</u>	<b>1,883,147.64</b>	1,883,147.64
<b>EDUCATION</b>					
<b>UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST</b>					
311-5600	Intergovernmental	<u>6,005,234</u>	<u>5,825,584</u>	<b>6,368,210.12</b>	6,368,210.12
	Total Up-Island				
	Reg. School Dist.	6,005,234	5,825,584	<b>6,368,210.12</b>	6,368,210.12
<b>MV REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL</b>					
313-5600	Intergovernmental	<u>2,559,005</u>	<u>2,674,288</u>	<b>2,539,295.00</b>	2,539,295.00
	Total M.V. Regional				
	High School	2,559,005	2,674,288	<b>2,539,295.00</b>	2,539,295.00
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION</b>		<u>8,564,239</u>	<u>8,499,872</u>	<b>8,907,505.12</b>	8,907,505.12
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>					
<b>SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS</b>					
421-5120	Personal Services	<u>17,000</u>	<u>17,000</u>	<b>19,500.00</b>	19,500.00
	Total Superintendent of Streets	17,000	17,000	<b>19,500.00</b>	19,500.00
<b>GENERAL HIGHWAY FUND</b>					
422-5120	Personal Services	71,970	97,236	<b>100,802.42</b>	100,802.42
422-5700	Expenses	<u>57,066</u>	<u>60,580</u>	<b>63,000.00</b>	63,000.00
	Total General Highway Fund	129,037	157,816	<b>163,802.42</b>	163,802.42

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL</b>					
423-5700	Expenses	86,588	40,000	40,000.00	40,000.00
	Total Snow and Ice Removal	86,588	40,000	40,000.00	40,000.00
<b>STREET LIGHTS</b>					
424-5700	Expenses	5,671	8,180	7,900.00	7,900.00
	Total Street Lights	5,671	8,180	7,900.00	7,900.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>		238,296	222,996	231,202.42	231,202.42
<b>SANITATION</b>					
<b>TOWN LANDFILL</b>					
433-5120	Personal Services	0	50	50.00	50.00
433-5600	Intergovernmental	33,685	46,000	46,000.00	46,000.00
433-5700	Expenses	1,444	3,400	3,400.00	3,400.00
	Total Town Landfill	35,129	49,450	49,450.00	49,450.00
<b>MARTHA'S VINEYARD REFUSE DISPOSAL AND RESOURCE RECOVERY DISTRICT (MVRDRRD)</b>					
439-5600	Intergovernmental	111,889	112,127	111,859.07	111,859.07
	Total MVRDRRD	111,889	112,127	111,859.07	111,859.07
<b>TOTAL SANITATION</b>		147,018	161,577	161,309.07	161,309.07
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>					
<b>CEMETERIES</b>					
491-5120	Personal Services	1,885	2,500	2,500.00	2,500.00
491-5700	Expenses	10,663	19,350	17,900.00	17,900.00
	Total Cemeteries	12,548	21,850	20,400.00	20,400.00
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>					
510-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$1,000	3,000	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
510-5120	Personal Services	80,074	81,900	83,097.38	83,097.38
510-5700	Expenses	6,261	7,255	8,445.00	8,445.00
	Total Board of Health	89,335	92,155	94,542.38	94,542.38
<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>					
522-5700	Expenses	18,666	17,636	17,636.00	17,636.00
	Total Health Services	18,666	17,636	17,636.00	17,636.00
<b>MARTHA'S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING</b>					
540-5700	Expenses	38,181	39,593	43,739.24	43,739.24
	Total MV Center for Living	38,181	39,593	43,739.24	43,739.24
<b>UP-ISLAND COUNCIL ON AGING</b>					
541-5120	Personal Services	194,215	215,998	234,021.96	234,021.96
541-5700	Expenses	20,761	16,825	18,150.00	18,150.00
	Total Up-Island Council on Aging	214,976	232,823	252,171.96	252,171.96

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>VETERANS' BENEFITS</b>					
543-5700	Expenses	4,503	4,000	4,000.00	4,000.00
	Total Veterans' Benefits	4,503	4,000	4,000.00	4,000.00
<b>TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES</b>		378,208	408,058	432,489.58	432,489.58
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>					
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>					
610-5120	Personal Services	285,780	323,286	376,037.88	376,037.88
610-5700	Expenses	122,600	130,050	218,600.00	218,600.00
	Total Public Library	408,380	453,336	594,637.88	594,637.88
<b>PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE</b>					
620-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 5 @ \$166	664	830	830.00	830.00
620-5120	Personal Services	17,760	19,946	20,232.72	20,232.72
620-5700	Expenses	991	1,400	1,450.00	1,450.00
	Total Park and Rec. Committee	19,415	22,176	22,512.72	22,512.72
<b>LAMBERT'S COVE BEACH AND UNCLE SETH'S POND</b>					
632-5120	Personal Services	69,161	74,645	75,252.07	75,252.07
632-5700	Expenses	12,575	12,475	12,325.00	12,325.00
	Total Lambert's Cove Beach and Uncle Seth's Pond	81,736	87,120	87,577.07	87,577.07
<b>RECREATION PROGRAMS</b>					
640-5120	Personal Services	4,748	9,841	9,914.48	9,914.48
640-5700	Expenses	8,183	9,400	8,750.00	8,750.00
	Total Recreation Programs	12,932	19,241	18,664.48	18,664.48
<b>TOWN GROUNDS</b>					
650-5700	Expenses	4,029	4,750	7,250.00	7,250.00
	Total Town Grounds	4,029	4,750	7,250.00	7,250.00
<b>HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION</b>					
690-5700	Expenses	142	500	500.00	500.00
	Total Historic District Comm.	142	500	500.00	500.00
<b>LOCAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION</b>					
691-5700	Expenses	0	350	350.00	350.00
	Total Local Historical Comm.	0	350	350.00	350.00
<b>MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL</b>					
691-5700	Expenses	1,500	2,000	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Total MV Cultural Council	1,500	2,000	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>		528,133	589,472	733,492.15	733,492.15

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2013	Revised Appropriations FY 2014	Requested Appropriations FY 2015	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2015
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>					
710-5910	Principal, Long-Term Debt	575,963	589,200	<b>824,000.00</b>	824,000.00
710-5915	Interest, Long-Term Debt	138,488	108,055	<b>264,426.75</b>	264,426.75
710-5925	Interest, Short-Term Debt	1,390	131,544	<b>1,250.00</b>	1,250.00
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>		<u>715,841</u>	<u>828,799</u>	<b><u>1,089,676.75</u></b>	<u>1,089,676.75</u>
<b>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>					
911-5170	County Retirement	311,977	326,568	<b>341,840.00</b>	341,840.00
912-5170	Workers' Compensation	7,589	8,000	<b>8,000.00</b>	8,000.00
913-5170	Massachusetts Unemployment	2,638	2,000	<b>2,000.00</b>	2,000.00
914-5170	Health Insurance	467,670	601,500	<b>637,000.00</b>	637,000.00
917-5170	Life Insurance	1,986	2,100	<b>2,200.00</b>	2,200.00
916-5170	Medicare Tax	31,375	36,700	<b>36,700.00</b>	36,700.00
945-5170	Public Officials Liability Ins.	13,495	14,200	<b>14,950.00</b>	14,950.00
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>		<u>836,730</u>	<u>991,068</u>	<b><u>1,042,690.00</u></b>	<u>1,042,690.00</u>
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<u><u>14,188,839</u></u>	<u><u>14,787,036</u></u>	<b><u><u>15,870,727.00</u></u></b>	<u><u>15,870,727.00</u></u>

## Capital Budget - FY 2015

Description			Source of Capital Budget Appropriations					Capital Plan	
Department	Priority	Description/Rationale	Property Tax Levy	Issuance of Town Debt	Aid/ Grants/ Donation	Free Cash	Other Sources (Specify)	2014 Requested	2014 Recommended
Capital Budget Items									
Police: Vehicle	1	Purchase new police vehicle according to the replacement schedule	33,200					33,200	33,200
Capital Items to be voted into/from Stabilization Funds (voted separately):									
Town Building Maintenance	2	Begin setting aside funds in the newly established Town Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund	25,000					25,000	25,000
Fire: New Pumping Truck	1	Second of four appropriations, toward a new pumper truck	70,000					70,000	70,000
Community Preservation Fund (voted separately):									
Cemetery:	1	Replace Cemetery Fence at the West Tisbury Cemetery					75,000	75,000	75,000
Mill Pond	3	Dredge Permitting and Design					30,000	30,000	30,000
Field Gallery Purchase Debt Service	1	Third of four annual installments of CPA funds to help pay debt service for Field Gallery purchase					40,000	140,000	40,000
Total Capital Budget			128,200	0	0	0	145,000	273,200	273,200

WEST TISBURY  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

**WARRANT FOR  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

County of Dukes County, SS  
To Either of the Constables of the Town of West Tisbury,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of West Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet in the **West Tisbury Elementary School**, Old County Road, in said Town on Tuesday the **Eighth day of April, Two Thousand Fourteen**, at **Seven O’Clock** in the evening; then and there to act on the articles of this Warrant.

And to meet again in the West Tisbury Public Safety Building (North Tisbury Fire Station) in said West Tisbury on **Thursday, the Tenth Day of April, at Twelve O’Clock Noon** at the Polling Place, then and there to act on Article 1 of the Warrant by the election of Officers on the Official Ballot.

**The polls** for voting on the Official Ballot will be **opened at Twelve O’Clock Noon** and shall be closed at **Eight O’Clock in the Evening**.

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect the following Officers on the Official Ballot:

- One Moderator for One Year
- One Member of the Board of Selectmen for Three Years
- One Member of the Board of Health for Three Years
- One Member of the Board of Assessors for Three Years
- One Treasurer for One Year
- One Tax Collector for One Year
- One Town Clerk for One Year
- One Tree Warden for One Year
- One Constable for Three Years
- Two Members of the Finance Committee for Three Years
- One Member of the Finance Committee for Two Years
- Two Library Trustees for Three Years
- One Member of the Planning Board for Five Years
- Two Members of Parks and Recreation for Three Years
- One Land Bank Commissioner for Three Years

**QUESTION 1:** Shall the town vote to have its elected Treasurer become an appointed Treasurer of the Town?

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges and Expenses for Fiscal Year 2015. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following expenditures in order to defray Town Capital Expenses for Fiscal Year 2015, consistent with the Town's Capital Improvement Plan:

Project	Expense	Funding Source
Police: Vehicle	\$33,200	Raise and Appropriate

*(See also the full FY 2015 Capital Improvements Budget immediately following the FY 2015 Budget Proposal in the 2013 Annual Report.)*

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaw at Sections 26-3, 26-4 and 26-5 to reflect a wage adjustment of 1.5% effective July 1, 2014. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer and Collector to enter into Compensating Balance Agreements during Fiscal Year 2015 as permitted by M.G.L. c.44, §53F. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to hire a consultant to prepare a Classification Plan and Compensation Plan, in consultation with the Personnel Board.

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$38,593) to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the administrative expenses of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority in Fiscal Year 2015; provided however, that the other five towns on Martha's Vineyard vote in the affirmative to raise and appropriate their respective sums. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to transfer to the Terminated Employees Compensated Absences Reserve Fund as provided for by M.G.L. c. 40, § 13D. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to the Dukes County Pooled Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize revolving funds previously established by vote of the Town under M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen, for Fiscal Year 2015, to be credited

with receipts from the following revenue sources, to be expended under the authority and direction of the following agencies or officials, for the following stated purposes, not to exceed the following spending limits respectively:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUNDS	SPENDING LIMITS
Wetlands Protection Bylaw	Filing Fees	Conservation Commission	To pay for expenses of the Commission related to the administration of the Bylaw	\$2,000
Health Services	Medicare, insurance & other reimbursements	Board of Health	Town health services	\$12,000
MVRDRRD	Fees collected at local drop-off MVRDRRD	Board of Health by	Expenses related to operation of the Local Drop-off	\$110,000

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the Sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund.

**(2/3 VOTE REQUIRED, RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to increase budget line 193-5700, Town Insurance, from the sum of Seventy Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Three Dollars and Fifty Six Cents (\$73,323.56) to the sum of Eighty Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Three Dollars and Fifty Six Cents (\$83,323.56).

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Eighty Two Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Two Dollars (\$82,682), for reconstruction work on town roads under the provisions of Section 34(2)(a) of Chapter 90 of the M.G.L., which amount is the Town's FY2014 state allocation which will be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is therefore considered an available fund.

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000) to be used by the Board of Assessors for the valuation update of real and personal property to meet triennial certification of values as required by Massachusetts State Law.

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the \$15,030 appropriated in Article 15 of the 2013 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of conducting a study of the Mill Brook Watershed.

**(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the Sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be used for needed repairs of the



town-owned building on Old Courthouse Road currently used by the Highway Department. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) to be placed in the Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund. **(A 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED, RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to act upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee to appropriate and set aside for later expenditure from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the Mass. General Laws, FY2015 revenues, in the following amounts to the following:

- a. Open Space reserve \$5,000
- b. Historical Resources reserve \$45,000 (10% of estimated FY2015 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- c. Community Housing reserve \$45,000 (10% of estimated FY2015 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- d. Undesignated reserve \$292,500 (65% of estimated FY2015 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

*Note: The above allocations to Reserves combined with actual Appropriations awarded in subsequent articles ensure that at least 10% allocations are made for Open Space, Historical Resources and Community Housing from FY2015 estimated Community Preservation Fund revenues.*

And to Appropriate for the FY2015 Administrative Expenditures of the Community Preservation Committee \$22,500 (5% of estimated FY2015 Community Preservation Fund revenues). **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) from estimated FY2015 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Open Space to support debt service for the acquisition of the Maley/Field Gallery property. This is the third of four annual installments authorized by vote at the Annual Town Meeting in April 2011.

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to replace the West Tisbury Cemetery Fence with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve and \$65,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. The award of Community Preservation Funding is contingent upon the Historic District Commission review of the project and a more detailed plan for construction. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to replace the roof, some siding and the rear side door of The Old Mill, at 690 Edgartown Rd, Assessors Map 32, Lot 115 with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve and \$20,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to renovate the Town Ball Field at the West Tisbury School to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for predevelopment costs for Phase I and Phase II of the Fire Station Lot Affordable Housing Project which consists of the construction of two rental duplexes on a town owned parcel at 565 Edgartown Rd, part of Assessors Map 31, Lot 36, for persons earning 80% or below the Area Wide Median Income with \$20,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$30,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000) to fund the purchase and renovation of an affordable six unit rental apartment building at 14 Village Court, Tisbury by the Island Housing Trust, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$55,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve with preference for one of the six apartments given to residents who either work in or for the town of West Tisbury and earn between 50% and 60% of the Area Wide Median Income. The total amount of the project is \$894,000.

**(RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$80,738) to support the Town of Aquinnah in its' efforts to Acquire, Relocate and Restore the Gay Head Lighthouse with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve and \$70,738 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Dollars (\$104,000) to support the rental assistance program of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority for West Tisbury households, with \$10,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$94,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,650) to fund the preservation of actual historical documents in the possession of, or owned by, The Martha's Vineyard Agricultural Society, to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to support the Martha's Vineyard Little

League in Phase II of their construction of a new youth baseball field at Penn Field Oak Bluffs with \$2,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Open Space reserve and \$23,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars (\$8,239) to upgrade the electrical service at the Dukes County Courthouse with \$1,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve and \$7,239 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

**(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)**

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to return the unexpended balance of Ten Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$10,390.19) from the West Tisbury First Congregational Church Restoration Project approved under article #27 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting to the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve to be used for design and permitting in preparation for dredging to preserve the Mill Pond, contingent upon the commitment of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) from private sources to undertake the design and permitting work which is estimated to cost Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000). Should actual costs fall short of the \$50,000 estimate; costs will be split between the CPC and private funding on a proportional, (3 to 2) basis. Design and permitting work will be conducted in tandem with the Mill Brook Watershed Study which was approved by the Town under article 15 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in April 2013, and dredging work will not proceed before additional Town Meeting action and the completion of both the design and permitting work and the watershed study. **(NO ACTION 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to construct a 30' sidewalk at the front of the Alley's parking lot. **(NOT RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000) from the Fire Department Personal Service ( Line 220-5129 ) to Expenses (Line 220 – 5700 ) for building repairs and maintenance on Station One and Two. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Two Dollars (\$13,482) to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the administrative expenses of the All Island School Committee's contract for adult and community education in Fiscal Year 2015. **(RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town of West Tisbury will vote to Raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty One Thousand Three Hundred Forty Two

Dollars (\$31,342) as the Town's proportionate share of the fiscal year 2015 adjusted cost (\$208,950.00) for the Vineyard Health Care Access Program, based on a formula agreed upon by the Advisory Board on County Expenditures. **(RECOMMENDED 3-2)**

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash not to exceed the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be transferred to the West Tisbury Library Building project to complete the Library expansion project. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Four Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$435,000) to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2015. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Capital Improvements Planning Committee by-law by replacing the following existing sentence in Section 1: **"The Town Treasurer shall also be a committee member, the Town Accountant shall be an ex-officio committee staff member without the right to vote."** in its entirety with the following revised sentence: **"The Town Treasurer and the Town Accountant shall be ex-officio committee members."** **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 26-1 (Year Round Classification Plan) to add the position of Town Treasurer at Grade L subject to approval of the voters to change the Treasurer's position from an elected office to an appointed office. In the event this measure passes at the Polls, this amendment shall take effect immediately.

**(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section concerning the requirements for Solar Energy Systems, as set out below, and by re-numbering existing Sections 8.10-1 through 8.10-10 concerning Large Scale Ground Mounted-Solar Arrays to Section 8.10-5 through 8.10-5.9 in order to be sequential with the new Solar Energy Bylaw Requirements proposed in this article.

#### **8.10 General Requirements for all Solar Energy Systems.**

##### **8.10-1 Purpose**

The purpose of this bylaw is to promote the use of solar energy by providing standards for the placement, design, construction, operation, monitoring, modification and removal of solar energy installations that address public safety, minimize impacts on scenic, natural and historic resources and to provide adequate financial assurance for the eventual decommissioning of such installations.

##### **8.10-2 General Requirements**

The following requirements are common to all solar energy systems:

A. Compliance with laws: The construction and operation of all proposed solar energy systems shall be consistent with all applicable local, state and federal

requirements, including but not limited to all applicable safety, construction, environmental, electrical, communications and aviation requirements.

B. Expiration: A permit issued pursuant to this bylaw shall expire if the solar energy system is not installed and functioning within 24 months from the date the permit is issued or the solar energy system is abandoned.

C. System conditions: Owners of solar energy systems shall be responsible for maintaining them in good condition. Maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, structural repairs and integrity of security measures. The Building Inspector shall inspect the installation at his discretion and enforce according to Section 10.2 of this by-law.

D. The owner of the Solar Energy System shall remove it within 60 days if the Building Inspector or Health Agent determines that it has become a nuisance or hazard.

E. Access to the site shall be maintained at a level acceptable to the local Fire Chief and Emergency Services. The project owner shall be responsible for the cost of maintaining the solar energy system and any access road(s), and the cost of repairing any damage occurring as a result of operation and construction.

F. A Solar Energy System shall not be used to display advertising, including signage, streamers, pennants, spinners, reflectors, ribbons, tinsel, balloons, flags, banners, or similar materials.

G. The manufacturer and equipment information, warning, or indication of ownership shall be allowed on any equipment of the Solar Energy System provided they comply with the prevailing sign regulations.

H. Reasonable efforts shall be made to place all utility connections from solar energy installations underground, depending on appropriate soil conditions, shape, and topography of the site and any requirements of the utility provider. Electrical transformers for utility interconnections may be above ground if required by the utility provider.

I. Modifications: Any material modifications to a solar energy system that would require a special permit, that is made after issuance of any approval issued pursuant to this bylaw, shall require approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals as provided in this bylaw, except normal maintenance and replacement of components.

J. Violations: It is unlawful for any person to construct, install, or operate a solar energy system that is not in compliance with this bylaw or with any condition contained in an approval or permit issued pursuant to this bylaw.

### **8.10-3 Solar Array Uses Permitted by Right:**

#### **1. Building-Mounted and/or Integrated Solar Energy System:**

A. A solar energy system shall be considered to be building-mounted and/or integrated if it is designed to be permanently mounted on a building or other

structure. This definition applies to solar energy systems of any capacity that are designed to be operated in direct contact with a building.

B. Building- mounted and/or integrated solar energy systems shall not be erected, constructed, installed or modified as provided in this section without first obtaining a building permit from the Building Inspector.

C. Building- mounted solar energy systems must not exceed the overall building height limits of the underlying district and shall not extend beyond the existing roof.

D. Building- mounted and/or integrated energy systems may be located in any zoning district.

#### **2. Ground-Mounted and Pole-Mounted Solar Energy System:**

A. The maximum size for a ground-mounted Solar Energy System is a panel area of 1,500 square feet.

B. A ground-mounted Solar Energy System shall not exceed 12 feet in height.

C. The minimum setback distance from the property lines to a ground-mounted Solar Energy System shall be equal to the primary building setback requirement. A ground-mounted Solar Energy System shall not be located within the front yard, defined as the area between the front façade of the dwelling extended to the side property lines and extending to the street line (corner lots have two (2) front facades).

D. A ground-mounted Solar Energy System shall limit the impacts on the surrounding properties, maintain safe accessibility, and limit storm water runoff.

E. A ground-mounted Solar Energy Systems shall not be erected, constructed, installed or modified as provided in this section without first obtaining a building permit from the Building Inspector.

F. Ground-mounted Solar Energy Systems may be located in any zoning district.

#### **8.10-4 Solar Energy Systems Allowed with Special Permit:**

A. Ground-Mounted systems larger than 1,500 square feet of panel area.

B. Ground or Pole-Mounted Systems taller than 12 feet.

C. Ground or Pole-Mounted Systems located within a front yard.

In granting a Special Permit, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall consider the following:

1. The possible effects on agricultural or aqua cultural uses;
2. Effects on special habitats and endangered species;
3. Neighborhood character;
4. Visual impact;
5. Screening;
6. Erosion and drainage;
7. Solar access.

#### **8.10-4.1 Required Documents for Solar Energy Systems Requiring a Special Permit**

The Zoning Board of Appeals may waive any of these requirements or impose other conditions as necessary.

A. A Site Plan showing:

1. Property lines and physical features, including roads, for the project site;
2. Proposed changes to the landscape of the site, grading, vegetation clearing and planting, exterior lighting, vegetative or other screening of structures;

B. Blueprints or drawings of the solar energy installation showing the proposed layout of the system;

C. One- or three-line electrical diagram detailing the solar energy installation, associated components, and electrical interconnection methods, with all Massachusetts Electrical Code compliant disconnects and over current devices;

D. Documentation of the major system components to be used, including the PV panels, mounting system, and inverter;

E. Name, address, and contact information for proposed system installer;

F. Name, address, phone number and signature of the project proponent, as well as all co-proponents or property owners, if any;

G. The name, contact information and signature of any agents representing the project proponent;

H. Documentation of actual or prospective access and control of the project site;

I. An operation and maintenance plan;

J. Proof of liability insurance;

#### **8.10-4-2 Dimensional and Density Requirements**

A. Setbacks: setbacks shall be as follows:

- where the proposed site abuts the RU district: 50 feet;
- where the proposed site abuts the LI district: 20 feet.

B. Appurtenant Structures: All appurtenant structures to solar energy installations shall be subject to Zoning Bylaw Article IV, Dimensional and Density Regulations, concerning the bulk and height of structures, lot area, setbacks, open space, parking and building coverage requirements. All such appurtenant structures, including but not limited to, equipment shelters, storage facilities, transformers, and substations, shall be architecturally compatible with each other. Whenever reasonable, structures should be shaded from view by vegetation or other means and/or joined or clustered to avoid adverse visual impacts.

#### **8.10-4.3 Design Standards**

A. Lighting: lighting of solar energy installations shall be consistent with local, state and federal law. Lighting of other parts of the installation, such as appurtenant structures, shall be limited to that required for safety and operational purposes, and shall be shielded down to protect abutting properties, per Zoning Bylaw Section 8.6. Lighting of the solar energy installation shall be directed downward and shall incorporate full cut-off fixtures to reduce light pollution.

B. Signage: Signs on solar energy installations shall comply with Zoning Bylaw Section 8.4 (Sign Regulations). A sign consistent with the Town's sign



bylaw shall be required to identify the owner and provide a 24-hour emergency contact phone number. This sign shall be visibly displayed at the entrance to the installation. Solar energy installations shall not be used for displaying any advertising and may be used for the identification of the manufacturer or operator of the solar photovoltaic installation only.

C. Prevention of Access: All solar energy installations shall be constructed to prevent unauthorized access.

#### **8.10-4.4 Safety and Environmental Standards**

A. Emergency Services: solar energy installation owner or operator shall provide a copy of the project summary, electrical schematic, and site plan to the Town's Fire Chief. The owner or operator shall cooperate with local emergency services in developing an emergency response plan. All means of shutting down the solar energy installation shall be clearly marked. The owner or operator shall identify a responsible person for public inquiries throughout the life of the installation.

B. Land Clearing, Soil Erosion and Habitat Impacts: Clearing of natural vegetation may be limited to what is necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the solar energy installation or otherwise prescribed by applicable laws, regulations, and bylaws.

#### **8.10-4.5 Monitoring and Maintenance**

A. Solar Energy Installation Conditions: The solar energy installation owner or operator shall maintain the facility in good condition. Maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, painting, structural repairs, and integrity of security measures. Access to the site shall be maintained to a level acceptable to the Fire Chief and other emergency services providers. The owner or operator shall be responsible for the cost of maintaining the solar energy installation and any access road(s), unless accepted as a public way.

B. Modifications: All material modifications to a solar energy installation made after issuance of the required building permit shall require approval by the ZBA.

C. Abandonment or Decommissioning

1. Removal Requirements: Any solar energy installation, which has reached the end of its useful life or has been abandoned consistent with 8.10-10C2, below, shall be removed. The owner shall physically remove the installation no more than 150 days after the date of discontinued operations. The owner or operator shall notify the ZBA by certified mail of the proposed date of discontinued operations and plans for removal.

Decommissioning shall consist of:

- a. Physical removal of all solar energy installations, structures, equipment, security barriers and transmission lines from the site;
  - b. Disposal of all solid and hazardous waste in accordance with local, state and federal waste disposal regulations;
  - c. Stabilization or re-vegetation of the site as necessary to minimize erosion.
- The ZBA may allow the owner or operator to leave landscaping or designated



below-grade foundations in order to minimize erosion and disruption to vegetation.

2. Abandonment: Absent notice of a proposed date of decommissioning or written notice of extenuating circumstances, the solar energy installation shall be considered abandoned when it fails to operate for more than one year without the written consent of the ZBA. If the owner fails to remove the installation in accordance with the requirements of this section within 150 days of abandonment or the proposed date of decommissioning, the Town may enter the property and physically remove the installation at the owner's expense.

Solar Energy Systems that require a Special Permit are prohibited in the Roadside District and the Shore Zone of the Coastal District.

**(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of West Tisbury Zoning Bylaw by adding the following changes:

**Amend Section 4.2-1, Dimensions Table, (pg 11), as follows:**

ADD: \*for setback relief see Section 4.3-3 D

**Amend Section 4.2-2 E, Dimensional Table; Interpretation of Dimensional Requirements (pg 13), as follows:)**

*To be added to the existing language:*

A detached bedroom is limited to 300 square feet, and one lavatory shall be allowed. No kitchen or cooking facility shall be allowed, and the structure is limited to a maximum of 300 square feet.

**Amend Section 4.3-2, Exceptions to Dimensional and Density Requirements, "Height Exceptions" (pg 13), as follows:**

*To be added as section "F"*

Personal Wireless Service Facility (PWSF's) may exceed height limitations via Special Permit per Section 8.8.

**Amend Section 4.3-3, Exceptions to Dimensional and Density Requirements (pg 14)**

*To be added as section "D"*

Exceptions to Lot Frontage "and Setback" Requirements.

The Board of Appeals may, after a public hearing, grant a special permit to build, alter or extend a structure so that it is setback less than the minimum distances specified above in Section 4.1 if, in the opinion of the Board of Appeals, the proposed structure and use will not have a material detrimental effect upon the established and future character of the neighborhood and town; and, provided further, that the Board of Appeals finds that other lots in the neighborhood have been previously developed by the construction of buildings or structures in such a manner to have resulted in similar nonconformities and that the proposed construction would be in character with the general pattern of development in the neighborhood.

**Amend Section 8.5-1, Home Occupations (pg 49), as follows:)**

In the Use table (pg 7),

ADD: \*8.5-1 B after Home Occupations.

**Amend Section 8.8-11 D, Personal Wireless Service Facilities, (pg 65), as follows:**

*To delete the word “Administrator” and to change the word “shall” to “may”:*

1. If the applicant has not submitted two alternatives, the ZBA may hire a consultant to prepare two alternatives.
2. If the applicant has submitted two or more alternatives, the ZBA may hire a consultant to prepare at least one alternative.

**Amend Section 3.3-1, USE TABLE as follows:**

1. *To be removed from the RU District: “KENNEL”*
2. *To be added to the Use Table: “STUDIO” permitted by right (P) in all districts.*

3. *To be added to the “Use Table under the “Residential Uses” section:*

Solar Energy Systems: Permitted in all districts\_

\_A Special Permit is required by the Zoning Board of Appeals for arrays larger than 1500 square feet, for ground mounted arrays higher than 12 feet, and for arrays located within a front yard, see Section 8.10-4C.

**Amend the Definitions Section as follows:**

***Attic-*** *A space located directly below the pitched roof of a house or other building.*

***Barn -*** *A structure erected for the storage of farm products, feed, fertilizer, farm machinery, and/or the sheltering of farm animals.*

***Garage-*** *A structure erected to provide shelter for motor vehicles, tools and yard equipment.*

***Loft-*** *An upper story open space found directly below the pitched roof of a house or other building.*

***Shed-*** *A structure erected for storage.*

***Storage-*** *A non-habitable space used for storing dry goods.*

***Kitchen-*** *A room or area where food is prepared or cooked.*

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the following regulations:

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY BOARD OF HEALTH REGULATIONS  
Board of Health Regulation, Section 17**

**THE CONTENT AND APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER FOR TURF  
ON MARTHA’S VINEYARD, TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**

**SECTION 1. FINDINGS**

1.1 This Section details the public health and ecological foundations for the regulation of the use of fertilizer on turf in West Tisbury.

1.2 In appropriate concentrations, nitrogen in the form of oxides plays a critical role in the nitrogen cycle and is essential to life. In excess, these forms of nitrogen represent an environmental pollutant that has the potential to harm

our water resources, and ultimately damage human health. Excessive amounts of nitrogen, as well as phosphorus, contribute to undesirable algal and aquatic plant growth, and degrade the water used for drinking and shellfishing as well as swimming and boating.

1.3 Algal blooms cause our ponds and harbors to become increasingly anaerobic, with seabeds robbed of oxygen and devoid of aquatic life, and cloudy water columns filled with dense algal and aquatic plant growth. The algal bloom brings with it human health risks. Depending on the type, quantity and route of exposure, symptoms from algae blooms vary from skin and eye irritations to gastrointestinal and asthma-like symptoms, with children and pets being particularly susceptible.

1.4 West Tisbury's groundwater is also at risk from nitrogen infiltration. Rising nitrogen levels in our Island ponds are caused in major part by rising nitrogen content in our groundwater. The groundwater/aquifer underlying West Tisbury is the source of its existing and future drinking water supply and should be preserved and protected from excess nitrate infiltration. Ingested nitrates are converted by the body into nitrites, which are capable of converting hemoglobin into an oxidized form that does not bind tightly to blood oxygen. Infants, young children, pregnant women and some people with compromised immune systems who drink water in excess of established Safe Drinking Water Standards are particularly vulnerable and may become seriously ill if untreated. The Island's municipal and well water supply is an outstanding asset, one that is safe now and should be protected going forward.

1.5 The Island of Martha's Vineyard in its entirety has significant amounts of glacially deposited coarse, sandy soils that are subject to rapid water infiltration, percolation, and leaching of nutrients into its groundwater that flow ultimately into the Island's harbors, embayments, salt ponds and coastal resources, including the water and wetland resources of West Tisbury. Additionally, soils associated with terminal moraine and glacial till contribute to rapid runoff into streams feeding coastal water bodies. These unique geologic, topographic and hydrographic characteristics require innovative soil management practices. The adoption of specific turf and soil fertilization requirements across the Island, including West Tisbury, is necessary to protect the water and wetland resources of the Island, including West Tisbury's.

1.6 The six towns comprising Martha's Vineyard have engaged the Massachusetts Estuaries Project ('Estuaries Project') to undertake analyses of many of the harbors, embayments, salt ponds and coastal resources in the Island towns and to prepare reports detailing the nutrient loading from multiple sources, including fertilizers. The Estuaries Project considers fertilizers a locally controllable source of water degradation. This is very significant as it is anticipated that the State will require all Massachusetts towns to bring the nutrient levels of their coastal ponds, harbors and other water resources to within recognized acceptable water quality standards established in the federal Clean Water Act.

1.7 As of the date of the enactment of this Regulation, Estuaries Project reports have been completed for West Tisbury Great Pond, Farm Pond, Lagoon Pond, Sengekontacket Pond and Tisbury Great Pond. In addition, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection has established the maximum amount of a pollutant that four of these ponds can receive and still safely meet water quality standards (known as “Total Maximum Daily Loads” or “TMDLs”). (TMDLs for Tisbury Great Pond are under consideration as of the date of the enactment of this Regulation.) Similar studies are currently underway for Cape Pogue, Chilmark Pond, Katama Bay, Menemsha Pond, Oak Bluffs Harbor, Oyster Pond, Pocha Pond, Squibnocket Pond and Tashmoo Pond. In due course, TMDLs will be established for all of these participating water bodies.

1.8 Of the fourteen coastal ponds and harbors participating in the Estuaries Project, eight have watersheds that encompass portions of more than one town, suggesting that an Island-wide, coordinated approach is necessary for effective management of water quality in these ponds.

1.9 The responsible application of fertilizers rests not only with property owners, but also with professional landscapers whose work takes them across the Island without regard to town or watershed boundaries. Coordinated regulation of fertilizers across the Island will facilitate the educational process for landscapers and will avoid confusion that might arise if fertilizer regulations were materially different from town to town.

1.10 The West Tisbury Board of Health, recognizing that excessive use of fertilizers is part of the overall problem of nutrient pollution, promulgates this Regulation regarding the use of fertilizer on turf. As a parallel effort, the BMPs Working Group has assisted the Island town Boards of Health in drafting *the Best Management Practices for Landscape Fertilizer Use on Martha's Vineyard*, which is based on the *UMass Amherst Extensions' Best Management Practices for Soil and Nutrient Management in Turf Systems*, both of which from time to time may undergo changes in response to scientific research.

1.11 The practices and standards set out herein are deemed necessary to protect the public health, including the maintenance of drinking water quality and the preservation of our water and wetland resources. They also represent an early step in achieving compliance with applicable water quality standards. This Regulation is intended to allow our Island's waters to be both sustainable and sustaining, while affording reasonable use of fertilizers for the enhancement of lawn quality.

1.12 It is anticipated that compliance with this Regulation will be achieved primarily as a community responsibility and as consequence of the adoption of a common standard of turf care in respect of both the sale and application of Fertilizer. This regulation provides for educational initiatives to enable this process to occur. To supplement these community-based activities, this

Regulation also provides for an enforcement process applicable to those who apply Fertilizer in violation of the standards set out in this Regulation.

## **SECTION 2. PURPOSE**

This Regulation provides for a reduction of nitrogen and phosphorus going into West Tisbury's Water Resources by means of an organized system of education, licensure, regulation of practice, and enforcement. The Regulation is intended to contribute to West Tisbury's ability to protect, maintain, and ultimately improve the water quality in all its Water Resources and assist in achieving compliance with any applicable water quality standards relating to controllable nitrogen and phosphorus.

## **SECTION 3. AUTHORITY**

This Regulation is adopted by the West Tisbury Board of Health as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Section 31 and is further authorized pursuant to the Fertilizer Management District of Critical Planning Concern designation, [detail authority], and by section 9 of Chapter 262 of the Acts of 2012, as amended.

## **SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following words shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

"Agriculture" means farming in all of its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the Soil, the production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural, floricultural or horticultural commodities. For the purposes of this Regulation, agriculture means production for commercial sale.

"Application Fee" means a fee in the amount of \$100.

"Best Management Practices for Landscape Fertilizer Use on Martha's Vineyard" or "Martha's Vineyard BMPs", means a sequence of activities designed to minimize Fertilizer use while also promoting healthy vegetative growth, as prepared by a working group of Island landscape professionals, golf course superintendents, Health Agents, landscape retailers, and conservationists.

"Board of Health" means the West Tisbury Board of Health whose members are elected by the voters of West Tisbury to oversee public and environmental practices through the actions of its Health Department.

"Buffer Zone" means the area abutting a Resource Area within which no alteration (as that term is defined in Commonwealth's Wetland Protection Act or the West Tisbury Wetland Protection Bylaws and Regulations) is permitted without an Order of Conditions or a Negative Determination from the West Tisbury Conservation Commission.

"Compost Tea" means a liquid infusion of Organic Compost but, for the purposes of this Regulation, is not considered a Slow Release Fertilizer.

"Fertilizer" means a substance that enriches the Turf or Soil with elements essential for plant growth, such as nitrogen, phosphorus, or other substances. Fertilizer also includes 'combination products', sometimes referred to as 'weed and feed', which contain Fertilizer in combination with pre- or post-emergence herbicides, insecticides, other pesticides or plant growth regulators. Fertilizer does not include those substances that are normally excluded from Fertilizer such as dolomite, limestone, or lime.

"Golf Course" means the managed (i.e. mowed and fertilized) Turf at each of Chappaquiddick Golf Club, Farm Neck Golf Club, West Tisbury Golf Club, Mink Meadows Golf Club, and Vineyard Golf Club.

"Health Agent" means the individual who has direct oversight of the daily activities of the Board of Health.

"Horticulture" is a general term meaning plant science and plant products. For the purposes of this Regulation, horticulture means the raising of flowers, fruits, vegetables, berries, herbs, nuts, and other similar products for commercial sale.

"Impervious Surface" means a surface that has been compacted or covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water, but does not include compacted areas on athletic fields, such as baseball infields, and intensely trafficked Turf.

"Landscape Professional" means a person, either as a sole proprietor or as an employee of a company or a municipality, who in exchange for money, goods, services, or other consideration applies Fertilizer to Turf. A Landscape Professional includes Turf management staff at a Golf Course.

"License" means that documentation issued by West Tisbury authorizing the individual or commercial entity holder to apply Fertilizer in West Tisbury.

"Licensee" means a Landscape Professional who has a valid License.

"Liquid Fertilizer" means a form of Fertilizer which typically is sprayed directly onto a plant.

"Martha's Vineyard Lawn Fertilizer Working Group" means the group of individuals from the six Island towns, including landscape professionals, golf course superintendents, Conservation Commissioners, Selectmen, Board of Health Commissioners/members and Health Agents, and Martha's Vineyard Commission members, who met and consulted with members of the public representing these and other constituencies to draft this Regulation.

"Organic Compost" is a Slow Release form of Fertilizer comprised of the biologically stable, non-pelletized, humus-like material derived from composting or the aerobic, thermophilic decomposition of organic matter.

"Participating Town" means an Island town that has voted to adopt regulations governing the use of Fertilizer that are substantially similar to this Regulation.

“Property Owner” means the owner of record of the Turf or Soil to which Fertilizer is applied (and, for the avoidance of doubt, includes West Tisbury).

“Relevant Employee” means a person engaged (as an employee, agent, contractor or otherwise) by a Landscape Professional who applies Fertilizer to Turf or Soil.

“Resource Area” means an area subject to protection under the Commonwealth’s Wetland Protection Act or the West Tisbury Wetland Protection By-Laws or Regulations.

"Slow Release" in relation to nitrogen, means nitrogen in a form that delays its availability for uptake and use after application, and is not rapidly available to Turf. Slow Release is also sometimes referred to as ‘controlled-release’, ‘timed-release’ or ‘slowly soluble/available’. This definition expressly excludes nitrate salts and urea.

"Soil" means the upper-most layer of the earth's surface, comprised of mineral and organic matter, which can host biological communities.

"Soil Test" means a technical analysis of Soil conducted by a Soil testing laboratory that measures extractable nutrient values using a Modified Morgan soil testing procedure and making recommendations based on values as determined by the University of Massachusetts Extension Soil and Plant Tissue Testing Lab.

"West Tisbury" encompasses the land and water of the Town of West Tisbury on the island of Martha’s Vineyard, County of Dukes County.

“Turf” means grass-covered Soil held together by the root system, and includes turf used for sports and recreational activities as well as for lawns and utility areas.

"Water Resource" includes, without limitation, groundwater, streams, including intermittent streams, creeks, rivers, freshwater and tidal wetlands, vernal pools, ponds, lakes, marine waters, canals, lagoons, embayments, estuaries and all waters defined in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40 and the West Tisbury Wetland By-Laws or Regulations.

## **SECTION 5. TURF PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**

### **5.1 General Turf Performance Standards**

5.1.1 No person shall apply Fertilizer between November 15th and the following April 15th.

5.1.2 No person shall apply Fertilizer to Turf or Soil immediately before or during heavy rainfall when the Lawn or Soil is likely to be saturated with water, when the Turf or Soil has the characteristics of an Impervious Surface or when they are showing signs of stress due to drought, or any other time when the Fertilizer is unlikely to be taken up by the Turf root structure.



5.1.3 No person shall apply or deposit Fertilizer on any Impervious Surface or on any place or in such a manner as would allow the Fertilizer to enter into storm drains or other storm flowage receptacles and/or channels. If a person inadvertently applies or deposits Fertilizer to an Impervious Surface by spill or otherwise, or applies or deposits Fertilizer as prohibited in this section, that person must immediately remove the Fertilizer.

5.1.4 No person shall apply Fertilizer containing more than 0.5 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf *per application*, provided, however, that a single application of Fertilizer between April 15 and June 1 and a single application of Fertilizer in September may contain up to .75 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf. Cumulative applications of Fertilizer must not exceed 3.0 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf per year. Fertilizer shall not be applied within 4 weeks of a prior application. For the purposes of this Regulation, Fertilizer applied by all persons to the same Turf will be aggregated.

5.1.5 No person shall apply Fertilizer unless it contains at least 50% of its nitrogen in the Slow Release form. Compost Tea and Liquid Fertilizer are exempt from this standard, provided that no single application exceeds 0.1 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet over a 4-week period.

5.1.6 No person shall apply Fertilizer that contains phosphorus, unless a Soil Test taken within the prior 3 years indicates a phosphorus deficiency of less than 14 ppm, in which case the phosphorus application shall be limited to the quantity specified in the test results. A Soil Test is not required for the application of:

- (a) Organic Compost;
- (b) specially labeled 'starter' Fertilizer products intended for use in establishing Turf or in repairing damaged Turf when applied in conjunction with Turf seed;
- (c) Compost Tea; and
- (d) pelletized organic Fertilizer whose phosphate content by weight is no greater than 25% of its nitrogen content by weight.

## **5.2 Fertilizer in the Buffer Zone**

5.2.1 The Turf performance standards set out in Sections 5 (not including Section 5.1.4) apply to the Buffer Zone, except as modified in this Section 5.2.

5.2.2 No Fertilizer may be applied in the 10-foot wide strip running parallel and immediately adjacent to a Resource Area. In the remainder of the Buffer Zone, no person shall apply Fertilizer containing more



than 0.25 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf *per application*, with cumulative applications not to exceed an annual maximum of 0.5 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf, except that where there is a continuous 25-foot wide strip of Fertilizer-free, non-Turf vegetation running parallel to the Resource Area, Fertilizer may be applied to the area beyond the 25 foot strip to an annual maximum of 1.0 pound of nitrogen per 1000 square feet of Turf.

5.2.3 No person shall apply Fertilizer that contains phosphorus in the Buffer Zone, unless a Soil Test taken within the prior 3 years indicates a phosphorus deficiency of less than 14 ppm, in which case the phosphorus shall be limited to the quantity specified in the test results.

### **5.3 Fertilizer on Golf Courses**

5.3.1 The performance standards set out in Section 5 (not including Section 5.1.6) apply to Fertilizer applied on Golf Courses except as modified in this Section 5.3.

5.3.2 Applications of Fertilizer to Golf Courses shall not be made between December 15 and the following April 15th.

5.3.3 Liquid Fertilizer may not be applied more often than every two weeks, provided that it is applied at a rate not to exceed 0.1 pound of nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. per application.

5.3.4 The performance standards set out in Section 5.2.2 do not apply to putting greens and tee boxes in the Buffer Zone in existence at the effective date of this Regulation.

### **5.4 Exemptions: The following activities are exempt from Section 5:**

5.4.1 Application of Fertilizer to home vegetable and flower gardens, landscape ornamentals, shrubs, trees, bushes, and container plants.

5.4.2 Application of Fertilizer for Agricultural or Horticultural use.

**5.5 Precedence:** To the extent that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or West Tisbury has enacted, enacts, or issues any law, regulation, bylaw, order or permit concerning the application of Fertilizer containing phosphorus or nitrogen on Turf or Soil which is more stringent than the performance standards set in this Section 5, those more stringent standards take precedence.

## **SECTION 6. EDUCATION, LICENSURE AND ADMINISTRATION**

### **6.1 Education and Assessment**

6.1.1 The Board of Health shall:

- (a) maintain and offer for a fee a general program of Fertilizer education for Property Owners and Landscape Professionals that is based on this Regulation and the Martha's Vineyard BMPs; and
- (b) administer an assessment to determine a Professional Landscaper's or a Property Owner's proficiency with respect to this

Regulation and the Martha's Vineyard BMPs following completion of the general education program.

6.1.2 The Board of Health shall make available to the public, including Property Owners, Landscape Professionals and Fertilizer retailers a summary of the Section 5 performance standards, as well as a copy of this Regulation, as amended from time to time.

## **6.2 Licensure**

6.2.1 No Landscape Professional shall apply Fertilizer in West Tisbury without a License issued by the Board of Health in accordance with this Regulation.

6.2.2 Subject to Section 6.2.3, an application for a License shall be accompanied by the Application Fee and documentation that the applicant has both completed the general program of Fertilizer education referred to in Section 6.1.1(a) and achieved proficiency as set forth in Section 6.1.1(b).

6.2.3 Upon issuance of a License to an applicant, West Tisbury shall forward a "Notice of Issuance of Fertilizer License" to each other Participating Town nominated by the Applicant.

6.2.4 When West Tisbury receives a "Notice of Issuance of Fertilizer License" from any Participating Town, the Board of Health shall issue and mail (or email or otherwise forward) a License to the applicant. The payment of a fee and the production of additional documentation shall not be required.

6.2.5 A License shall indicate the License number and expiration date and shall be signed by the Licensee.

6.2.6 Licenses shall be effective on issue and shall continue in effect for three calendar years, expiring on the third December 31 after being issued.

6.2.7 Licenses may be renewed on application. Applicants for renewal must provide documentation of either re-completion of the general program of Fertilizer education or proficiency, as set out in Section 6.1.1, and pay the Application Fee.

6.2.8 A Landscape Professional licensed under this Regulation shall keep his/her License in their possession and shall display the License when requested to do so by any West Tisbury enforcement officer.

6.2.9 A Relevant Employee does not need to obtain a License, provided his/her employer maintains a ratio of not less than 1 Licensee to 8 non-Licensed Relevant Employees (the License held by the employer/owner being included for this purpose) and:

(a) the employer has provided the Relevant Employee with training

sufficient to ensure that the employee fully understands this Regulation and the Martha's Vineyard BMPs;

(b) the Relevant Employee has demonstrated proficiency with respect to this Regulation and the Martha's Vineyard BMPs in accordance with an assessment tool provided by the Board of Health and administered by the employer;

(c) the employer provides supervision appropriate to ensure that the Relevant Employee complies with this Regulation; and

(d) the employer retains documentation sufficient to establish compliance with subsections (a), (b) and (c).

These requirements set out in (a) and (b) above must be complied with not less often than every three years and within 6 months after any material amendments to this Regulation for each Relevant Employee.

**6.3 Services to be Performed by a Third Party:** The Board of Health may appoint from time to time a third party to perform on its behalf the responsibilities and services set out above in Sections 6.1 and 6.2.

#### **6.4 Liability**

6.4.1 A Property Owner is liable for violations of this Regulation by a Landscape Professional or its Relevant Employees, including applying Fertilizer without a License, provided that the Property Owner knew or should reasonably have known that a violation would occur.

6.4.2 A Landscape Professional is liable for violations of this Regulation by its Relevant Employees.

6.4.3 Notwithstanding Sections 6.4.1 and 6.4.2, any person who applies Fertilizer in violation of this Regulation may be held liable.

#### **6.5 Enforcement**

6.5.1 The Health Agent and the Board of Health may enforce this Regulation or enjoin violations thereof through any lawful process, and the election of one remedy by the Board of Health shall not preclude enforcement through any other lawful means.

6.5.2 Subject to Section 6.5.3, a person who violates any provision of this Regulation is subject to:

(a) in the case of a first violation within a consecutive 36-month period, a written warning;

(b) in the case of a second violation within a consecutive 36-month period, a fine in the amount of \$50.00;

(c) in the case of three or more violations within a consecutive 36-month period, a fine in an amount of \$300.00 per violation, unless the Town proceeds by criminal complaint or indictment under Section

6.5.6, in which case the maximum fine for the third and subsequent violations is provided therein; and

(d) in the case of a Licensee (or a Relevant Employee), and subject to the notice and hearing provisions of Section 6.5.4, suspension of the License (or that of his/her employer, as the case may be) for 180 consecutive days or revocation of that License.

6.5.3 A Licensed Professional who applies Fertilizer without having a valid License is subject to:

(a) in the case of a first violation within a consecutive 36-month period, a written warning;

(b) in the case of two or more violations within a consecutive 36-month period, a fine in the amount of \$300.00 unless the Town proceeds by criminal complaint or indictment under Section 6.5.6, in which case the maximum fine for the second and subsequent violations is provided therein.

6.5.4 The Board of Health may suspend or revoke a License issued pursuant to this Regulation or any other applicable law. Such revocation or suspension may only take place after a hearing held by the Board of Health of which the Licensee shall be given seven (7) days written notice. Such notice shall be deemed given upon certified return receipt mailing same to the address listed on the License application.

6.5.5 The Board of Health is authorized to penalize any person who violates these regulations by issuing a ticket under the noncriminal disposition process provided for in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 21D, and the Town's noncriminal disposition by-law, Sections 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5 and 1-6 of the Code of the Town of West Tisbury. If noncriminal disposition is elected, then any person who violates any provision of this Regulation shall be subject to the penalties provided in Sections 6.5.2 and 6.5.3, as applicable, per violation or, in the case of a continuing violation, per day for each day of violation. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense. If there is more than one violation, each shall constitute a separate offense.

6.5.6 A person who violates any provision of this Regulation may be penalized by indictment or on complaint brought in the district court. Except as may be otherwise provided by law, the maximum penalty for each violation or offense shall be one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense. If there is more than one violation, each shall constitute a separate offense.

## **SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**

If any section, part or provision of this Regulation is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, that decision shall not affect

the validity of the remaining terms of this Regulation as a whole or any part thereof, other than the section, part or provision held invalid or unconstitutional.

#### **SECTION 8. AMENDMENTS**

8.1 This Regulation was developed by a broad group of stakeholders representing diverse interests and has been reviewed by soil and turf scientists and educators. Therefore, notwithstanding the requirements of G.L. c. 111, §31, no amendment to this Regulation shall be adopted until such time as the Board of Health shall hold a public hearing thereon, notice of the time, place and subject matter of which, sufficient for identification, shall be given by publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town and County once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days prior to the date set for such hearing. No such amendment shall be effective unless the proposed amendment has been reviewed and commented upon by soil and turf scientists and educators and it is passed by the Board of Health.

8.2 Further, since these Regulations are also under Chapter 831 of the Acts of 1977, as amended, any amendments to the Regulations shall first be approved by the Martha's Vineyard Commission, as conforming to the guidelines for the Fertilizer Management District of Critical Planning Concern.

#### **SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Regulation shall take effect on January 1st 2015 and upon publication pursuant to G.L. c. 111, §31.

#### **SECTION 10. INTERIM PROVISIONS**

Landscape Professionals may apply Fertilizer without a license during the interim period between the effective date of this Regulation and the development of a licensing program by the Board of Health, provided that they comply with Section 5 of this Regulation.

**(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the holding of such meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 5th Day of March in the Year Two Thousand Fourteen.

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Richard R. Knabel, Chair

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Jeffrey S. "Skipper" Manter

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Cynthia E. Mitchell  
WEST TISBURY SELECTMEN

DATE:

I have posted attested copies of the above Warrant in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen (14) days before such meeting.

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Timothy A. Barnett

Constable

A true copy, attest:

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Tara J. Whiting  
Town Clerk



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
WEST TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS  
APRIL 10, 2014**

*Tara J. Whiting*  
TOWN CLERK

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●  
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.  
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

**FOR MODERATOR**

One Year Vote for ONE  
**F. PATRICK GREGORY** ☐  
6 Beza Lane Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR TOWN CLERK**

One Year Vote for ONE  
**TARA J. WHITING** ☐  
1055 State Road Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR PARK AND  
RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Three Years Vote for TWO  
**CHERYL LOWE** ☐  
250 Oak Lane Candidate for Re-election  
**SUZANNE HAMMOND** ☐  
1092 State Road Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR SELECTMAN**

Three Years Vote for ONE  
**RICHARD R. KNABEL** ☐  
70 Penhandle Road Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR TREE WARDEN**

One Year Vote for ONE  
**JEREMIAH ARMSTRONG BROWN** ☐  
2 Holly Lane Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR BOARD OF HEALTH**

Three Years Vote for ONE  
**ERIK LOWE** ☐  
250 Oak Lane Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE**

Three Years Vote for TWO  
**LINDA M. HEARN** ☐  
50 Carls Way Candidate for Re-election  
**GINA SOLON** ☐  
32 Persimmon Woods Road Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR CONSTABLE**

Three Years Vote for ONE  
**TIMOTHY E. MALEY** ☐  
49 Music Street Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR BOARD OF  
ASSESSORS**

Three Years Vote for ONE  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Three Years Vote for TWO  
**GARY MONTROWL** ☐  
39 Tish's Cove Road Candidate for Re-election  
**KATHERINE TRIANTAFILLOU** ☐  
48 Vineyard Meadow Farms Road Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR PLANNING BOARD**

Five Years Vote for ONE  
**VIRGINIA C. JONES** ☐  
39 New Lane Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR TREASURER**

One Year Vote for ONE  
**KATHERINE LOGUE** ☐  
232 Oak Lane Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR MARTHA'S VINEYARD  
LAND BANK  
COMMISSIONER**

Three Years Vote for ONE  
**GLENN HEARN** ☐  
50 Carls Way Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR TAX COLLECTOR**

One Year Vote for ONE  
**BRENT B. TAYLOR** ☐  
63 Willow Tree Hollow Candidate for Re-election  
(Write-in) ☐

**FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Two Years Vote for ONE  
**DOUGLAS RUSKIN** ☐  
100 Stonery Hill Road  
(Write-in) ☐

**QUESTION**

Question 1  
"Shall the town vote to have its elected Treasurer become an appointed Treasurer of the town?" YES ☐  
NO ☐